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FOREWORD

Cead mile failte! as they say in Ireland. Or to put it into everday English, "A hundred thousand welcomes!" to our 1956 PANTHER. This is our school's An tostal for the '55-'56 year and it is our sincere wish that you will enjoy and treasure this "at home" of the Irish of Father Ryan High School.





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DEDICATION

We, the Senior Class of Nineteen hundred and fifty-six, dedicate this edition of THE PANTHER to our school's patron saint, Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland. Whether our names be O'Connor, Schrichte, DeMatteo, DuMont, McRedmond, Resha, Kleiser, Beehan, or Burns, we are truly grateful for the many favors that our heavenly patron has obtained for us and our school and we hope that he will continue to show his patronal interest in us in our future lives.



THE MOST REVEREND WILLIAM L. ADRIAN, D. D.,

Bishop of Nashville



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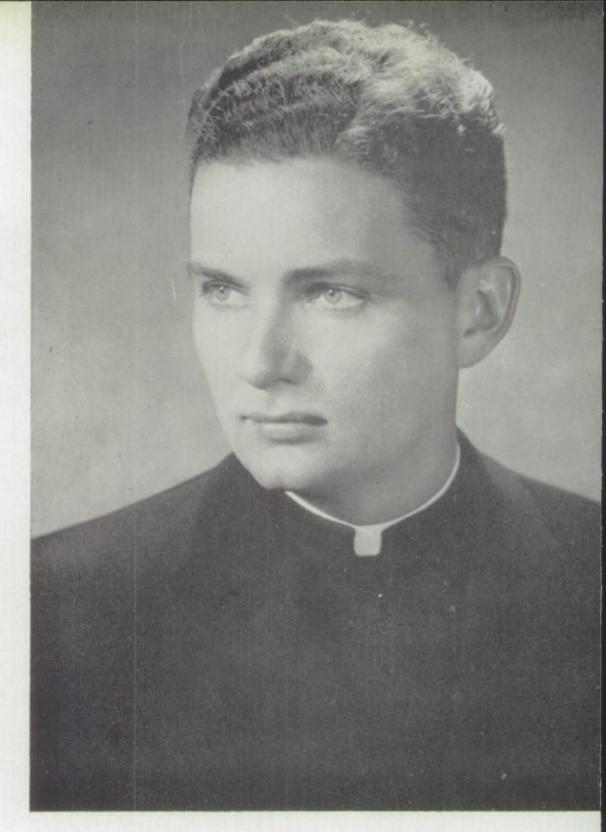
TO THE GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 1956:

You are to be congratulated for having successfully completed your course at Father Ryan, congratulated, too, that you have been privileged above many others, to have been guided by qualified instructors on the path to true wisdom. You have learned that your life should be centered in God. And now He who is "the Way and the Truth and the Life" urges upon you by the lips of His Prophet: "Let wisdom be your guide; keep her at your side, your guardian; cherish her, your preserver. Here is the path that will lead you straight to your goal. Hold fast by the instruction you have received and never let it go; guard it as you would your life. Live as the Lord would have you live, and He will make even your enemies your well-wishers."

The world will challenge your principles again and again, as you plod your way on the narrow path; it will try your faith and your virtue as gold is by fire; but it can only serve to burn away the dross if you cling to Jesus! And our most sincere wish and prayer for you is, that God be with you and in you always.

> †WILLIAM L. ADRIAN, D. D., Bishop of Nashville.

FACULTY



THE REVEREND FRANCIS R. SHEA, Principal

As another graduating class comes to the end of its course at Father Ryan, the thought occurs to me that it is very easy for high school boys to take for granted all the sacrifices that have made their education possible. It would be a shame for us not to acknowledge the great debt that Father Ryan owes to the Catholic community of Nashville. Without the loyal and generous support of our parishes, such a school as we have would not be possible to operate. I hope that our graduates will show by their successful lives and loyalty to their school that the sacrifices made for this institution have not been made in vain.

FATHER FRANCIS R. SHEA, Principal.



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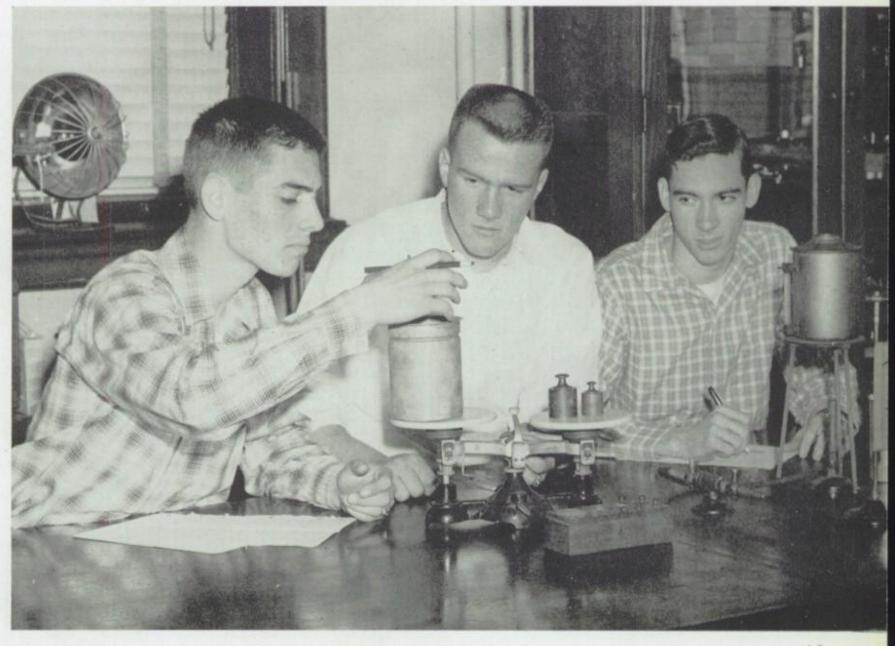
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The cherished ambition of every generation is to pass on to its offspring a religious and cultural heritage along with certain material advantages to provided for their future lives.

At the cost of much personal sacrifice, the Catholics of Nashville with their Bishop and pastors,

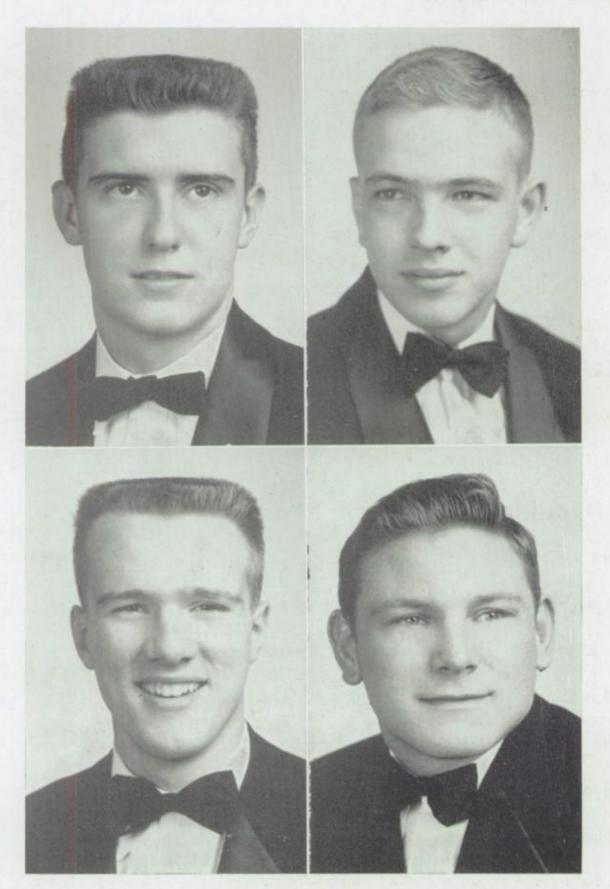
have provided an institution to perform the above-mentioned task in Father Ryan High School.

Under the guidance of our faculty of Diocesan priests,
aided by the Sisters of Mercy and qualified laymen,
we are provided a Catholic secondary education
that teaches us the knowledge of God and the knowledge of men.
It leads us to a preparation for life after graduation
and after death

through the fields of religion, science, language, mathematics, history and all the other subjects that make up modern school life.

On the following pages we show you the students who made up those classes

and some of the things that they did in them.



ROBERT HART SULLIVAN, JR. President

Student Council, '56; C. S. M. C., '53-'56; Intramurals '53-'54; Football, Varsity, '53-'55; Basketball ''B'' '53; Varsity, '53-'56; Baseball, '53-'56; BEST ALL AROUND. Holy Name Parish

JOHN MURPHY HANLEY, JR. Secretary

Class Vice-President '55; Student Council, '55-'56, Vice-President '55; Key Club, '55-'56, Vice-President, '56; Debate Team, '55; Fire Patrol, '55-'56, Chief, '56; C.S. M.C., '53-'56; THE MOINA, Art Editor, '56; STOA Honor Society, '54-'56; THE PANTHER, Editor-in-Chief, '56; Class Medals: Latin, '54; English, '54; Religion, '55; Solid Geometry, '55; Intramurals, '53; Football 'B'', '53; Varsity, '54-'55; Baseball, '54; Delegate to Volunteer Boys' State, '55; Great Smoky Mountain Tour Winner, '55; MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED; Valedictorian.

Cathedral of the Incarnation Parish

DANIEL HUGH RIORDAN Vice-President

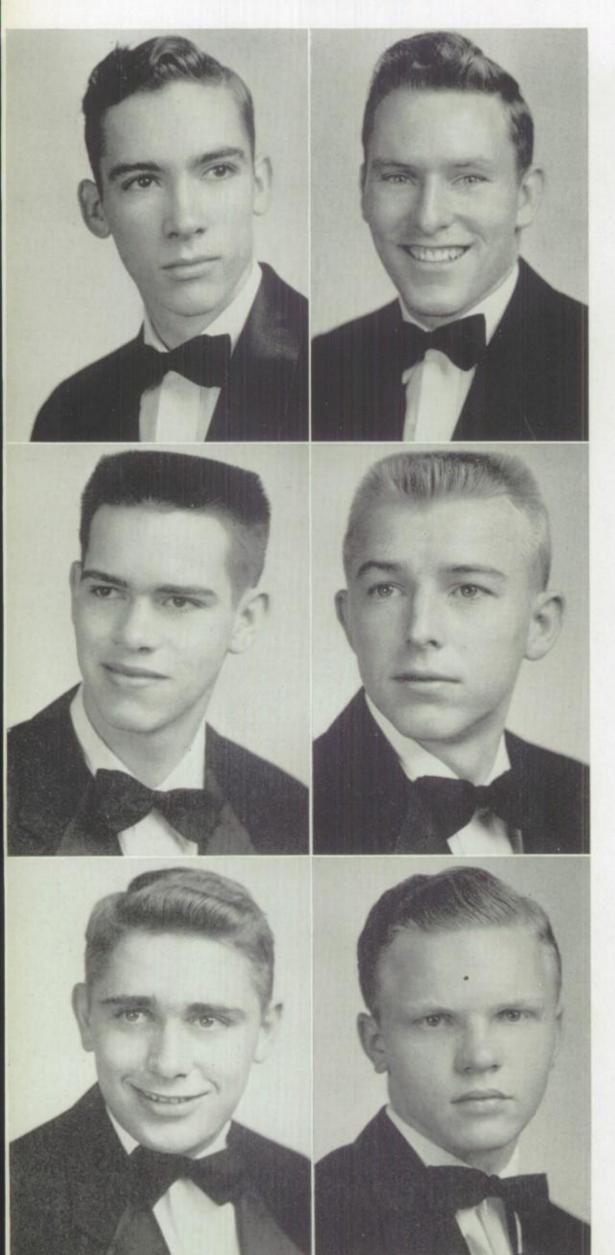
Key Club, '55-'56, Secretary, '56; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'54; Basketball "B", '54; Varsity, '55; Bowling, '53.

Christ the King Parish

JOSEPH NORMAN BATES Treasurer

Class Treasurer, '55; Class Vice-President, '54 C.S.M.C., '53-'56 Student Council, '54-'56, Treasurer, '55; Intramurals, '53-'54; Football, Varsity, '52-'55, Alternate Captain, '54, Captain, '55; N.I.L. Most Valuable, '54-'56; All-City, '54-'56; All-State, '54-'56, All-Southern, '55; All-American, '55; Baseball, '54-'56; Track, '55-'56; MOST POPULAR.

St. Ann's Parish



ANDREW NATHAN ARCHIE, JR.

Class President, '54; Class Secretary, '53; Student Council, '53-'55; Key Club, '55-'56; Fire Patrol, '55-'56; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE MOINA, Art Editor, '56; THE PANTHER, Distribution Class Medal: Spanish, '55; Basketball "B", '53-'54; Varsity, '55-'56.

Cathedral of the Incarnation Parish

JOHN PATRICK AYERS, JR.

Student Council, '55; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Business Manager, '56; Delegate, Boys' State, '55; Class Medal: Geography, '54; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B", '52-'53; Football Manager, '54-'55; Basketball, "B", '55; Baseball, '53, '55-'56.

St. Patrick's Parish

WALTER DANIEL BADACOUR

Class Treasurer, '54; Student Council, '54; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Band, '53-'56; Intramurals, '54-'56.
Christ the King Parish

ROBERT MICHAEL BARNARD

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; "Mississippi Melody," '54.

Holy Name Parish

NORMAN MICHAEL BATSON

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B," '53; Varsity, '54-'55; Track, '55.

St. Edward's Parish

RAYMOND BERNARD BECKMAN

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Class Medals: Biology, '54; Plane Geometry, '54; Typewriting, '55; Intramurals, '53-'56. Holy Rosary Parish

NICKOLAS GLENNON BEEHAN, JR.

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Business Staff '56; Band, '54; "Mississippi Melody," '54; Intramurals, '53; Track Manager, '55.

Christ the King Parish

JOSEPH LEONIDAS ANTHONY BELL, II

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Business Staff, '56; News of the Day, '56; Band, '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B", '54-'55; "Mississippi Melody", '54; "Drums of Death", '54; "Purple Mask", '54.

Assumption Parish

ROBERT JERRY BOLES

C.S.M.C., '54-'56; Intramurals, '54-'56; "Mississipp." Melody", '54.

St. Henry's Parish

JEROME KENNETH BROWN

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53; Football, "B", '52'53; Varsity, '54-'55; Fire Patrol, '55-'56; Track, Manager, '55.

St. Edward's Parish

EDWARD BEISER BUCHANAN

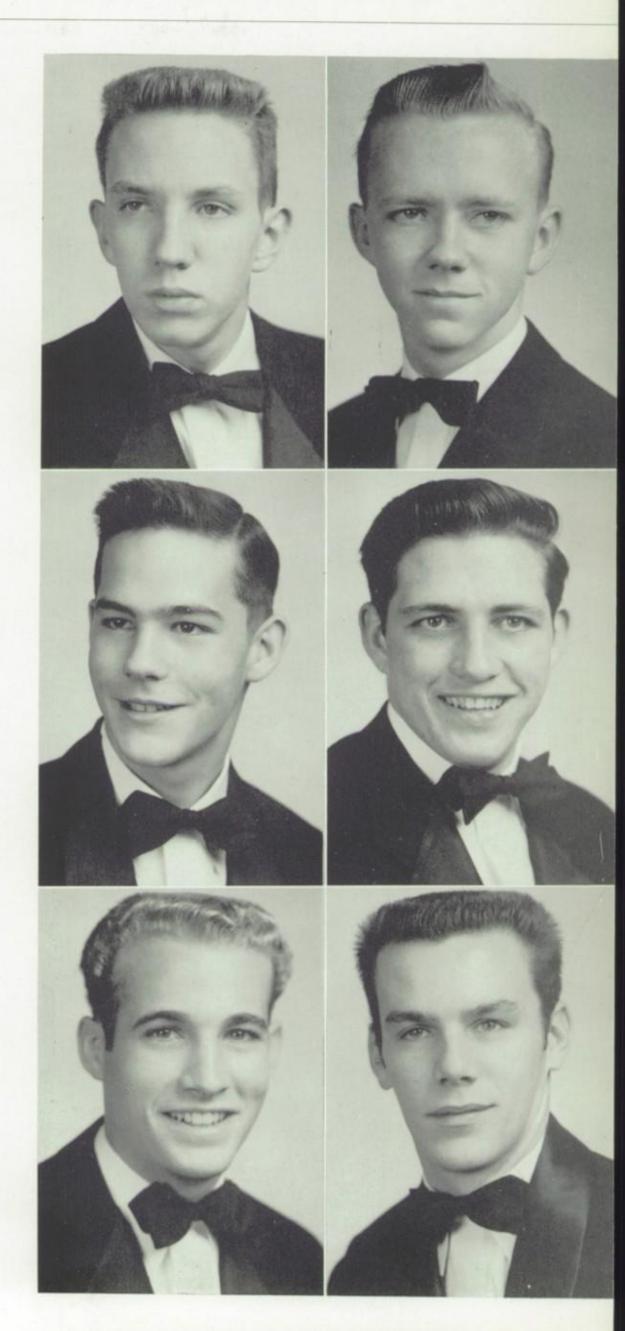
C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Typist, '56; "Mississippi Melody", '54 THE MOINA, Typist, '56; Intramurals, '53-'56; "B", Football, '52; "B", Basketball, '54; Track, '55; MOST HANDSOME.

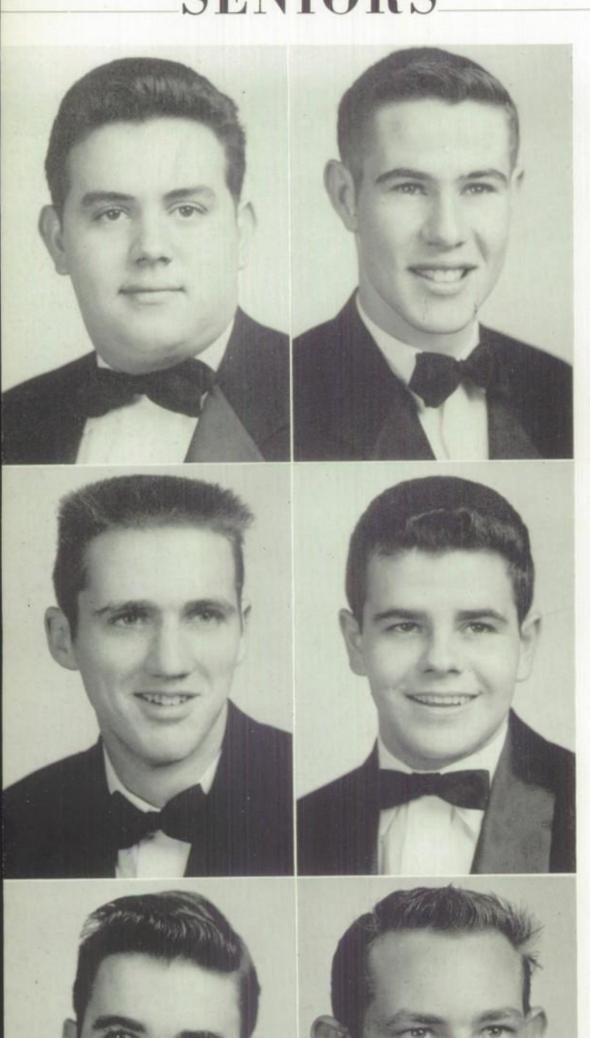
St. Ann's Parish

BENSON MITCHELL BURNS

C.S.M.C., '55-'56; Intramurals, '55-'56; THE PANTH-ER, Typist, '56.

St. Ann's Parish





JOHN EDWARD BURNS

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'54.
St. Ann's Parish

WILLIAM LEO BURNS

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B" '52-'54; Baseball, '56.

St. Henry's Parish

GEORGE VINCENT BYRNE

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Football, "B", '54; Tennis, '55; WIT-TIEST.

St. Patrick's Parish

WILLIAM ADRIAN CARL

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53, '55-'56; Basketball, "B", '54.

St. Ann's Parish



C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'54; Football, "B", '52-'54; Bowling, '56.

St. Edward's Parish

PATRICK AUGUSTINE COLLEY

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Business Staff, '56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Fire Patrol, '55-'56; Football, "B", '54.

St. Edward's Parish

VICTOR COODE

Key Club, '55-'56; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Band, '53-'56; "Mississippi Melody", '54; THE PANTHER, Associate Editor.

Cathedral of the Incarnation Parish

JAMES ANTHONY DEMATTEO

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56. Christ the King Parish

RAYMOND KENNETH DICKMAN

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; "Mississippi Melody", '54.

St. Joseph's Parish

WILLIAM MICHAEL DUMONT

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; MOINA, Sports, '56; THE PANTH-ER, Sports, '56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B", '54; Varsity, '55.

St. Joseph's Parish

CHARLES RAEBURN FEY

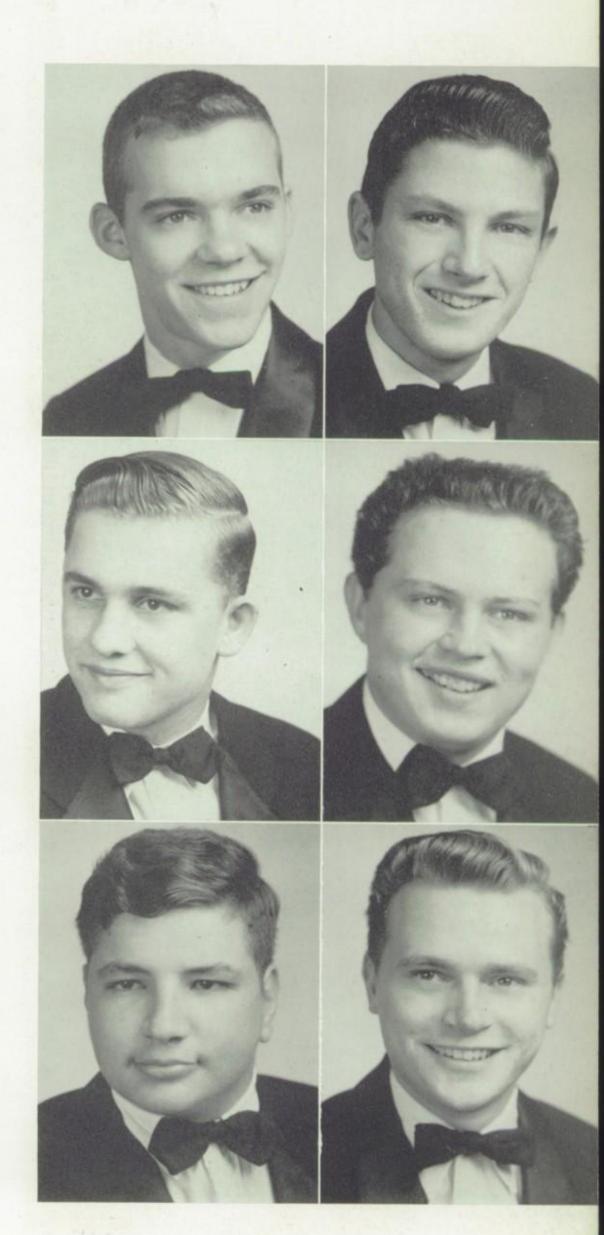
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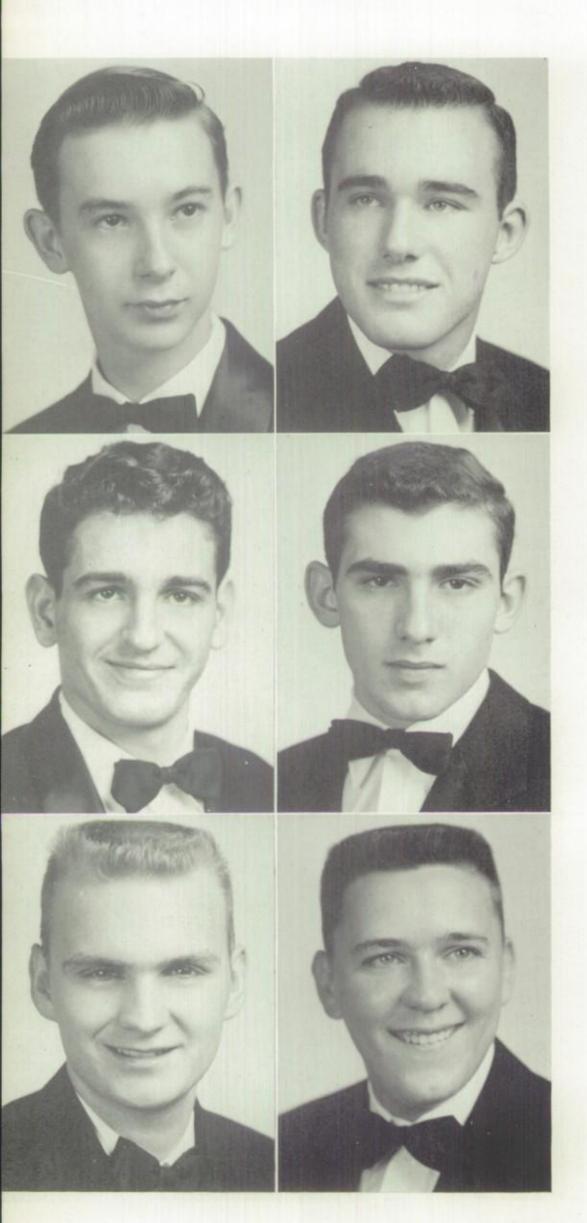
Assumption Parish

LEO FLAIR, III

Student Councils, '53; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; News of the Day, '54-'55; Band, '54-'55; Intramurals, '53-'54; Football, "B", '52-'54.

St. Ann's Parish





RICHARD WAYNE FOX

C.S.M.C., '53-'56.

Holy Name Parish

LOUIS KREBS GRAHAM

Key Club, '55-'56; Student Council, '54; C.S.M.C., '53'56; Intramurals, '53-'54; Basketball: "B", '53; Varsity,
'54-'56, Captain, '56; 18th District Tournament Team,
'55, Most Valuable, 18th District Tournament, '55; Region V Tournament Team, '55; All-Nashville, '56; All
18th District Team, '56 1,000 Point Club, Highest
Total Points Scored in One Season Golf: '53-'56;
Captain, '55-'56; N.I.L. Individual Champion, '53-'55.

Holy Name Parish

ANDREW JOSEPH HARMON, JR.

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, Business Manager, '56; Band, '54; Intramurals, '53-'56; Fire Patrol, '54; Football, "B", '52-'53; Varsity, '54-'55; Track, '55-I56.

Christ the King Parish

HERMAN RICHARD HILLER, JR.

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Band, '54; THE MOINA, '54; Intramurals, '53; Football, "B", '52-'53; Varsity, '55; Track, '55-'56.

St. Henry's Parish

JOSEPH SAMUEL JARVIS, JR.

Class President, '55; Class Treasurer, '53; Student Council, '53-'55; Key Club, '55-'56; President, '56; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE MOINA, Typist-Mimeographer, '56; THE PANTHER, Associate Editor, '56; Intramurals, '52-'54; Baseball, '53-'56; BEST DRESSED.

St. Patrick's Parish

MURRAY JOSEPH JOHNSTON

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Band, '53-'56.

Christ the King Parish

DONALD ROLFE KEATING

C.S.M.C., '53-'56.

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EUGENE VICTOR KLEISER

Class Treasurer, '55; Student Council, '55; Delegate to Convention, '55; Key Club, '55-'56; Treasurer, '56; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; STOA Honor Society, '53; THE PANTHER Advertising Staff Intramurals, '53-'54; Basketball, "B", '55; Basketball, Varsity, '55.

Christ the King Parish

JAMES LESLIE LISLE

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56. Christ the King Parish

JAMES NICHOLAS LYNCH

Class Secretary, '54; Student Council, '54; C.S.M.C., '53-'56; News of the Day, '55-'56; Intramurals, '53-'54; Football, Varsity, '53-'55; Alternate Captain, '55; All-City, '55; Basketball: "B", '53, Varsity, '54-'56, 18th District Tournament Team, '55; Baseball, '55; Tennis, '54-'55; MOST ATHLETIC.

St. Joseph's Parish

RICHARD EDGAR MCCURDY

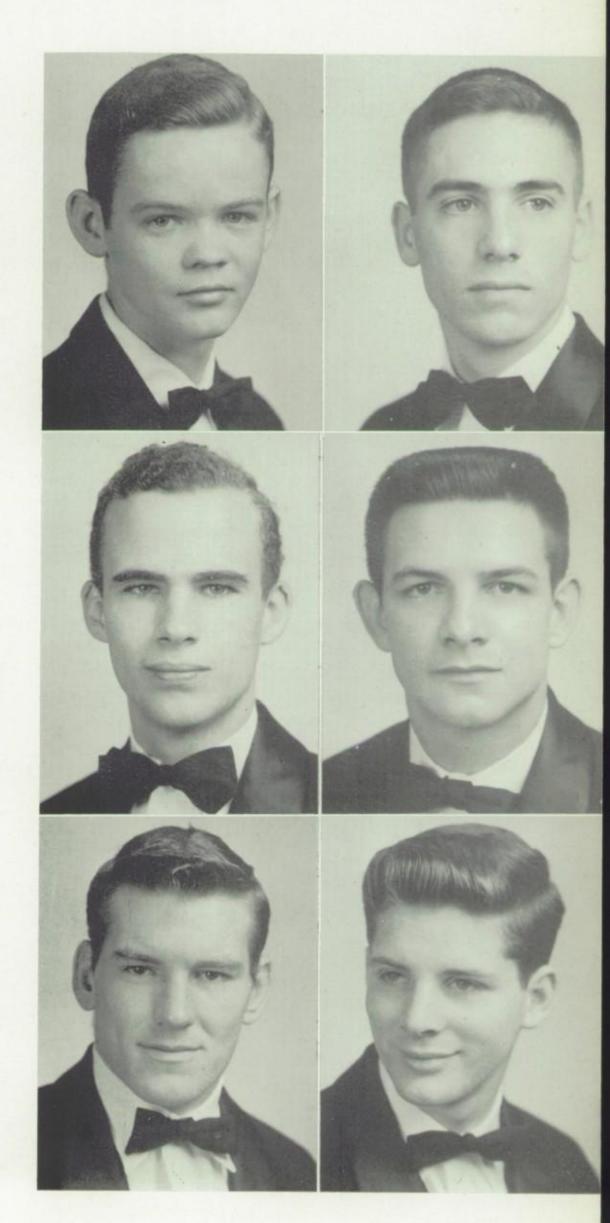
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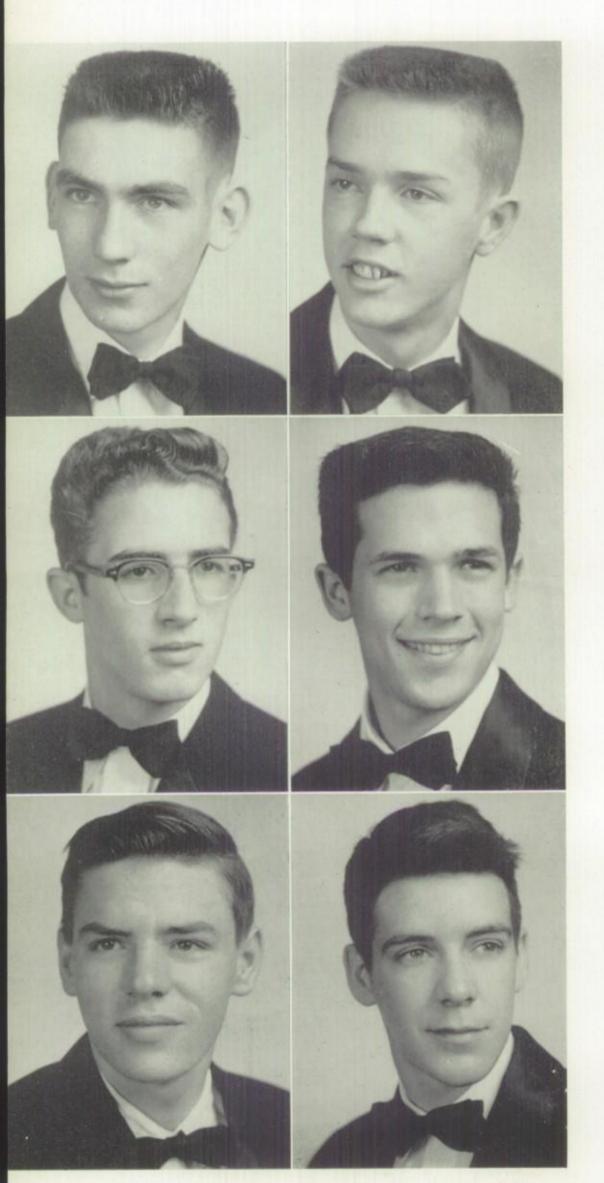
St. Ann's Parish

ROBERT HUGH MCNEILLY

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Class Medal: Mechanical Drawing, '55; Intramurals, '53-'56.

St. Ann's Parish





THOMAS FRANCIS MCREDMOND

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53. St. Edward's Parish

GENE PAUL MADDUX

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Key Club, '55-'56; Intramurals, '55 Bowling, '54; Tennis, '56. Christ the King Parish

RUDY MARIUTTO

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '54-'56. St. Edward's Parish

MICHAEL NENON MURRAY, JR.

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, Varsity Manager, '55; Basketball, Varsity Manager, '56.

Christ the King Parish

MICHAEL SAMUEL O'CONNOR C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56. St. Ann's Parish

TIMOTHY ABBOTT O'CONNOR

C.S.M.C., '53-'56, Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B"
Team, '54.

St. Edward's Parish

RICHARD NATHANIEL ORDWAY

C.S.M.C., '55-'56; Intramurals, '55-'56. St. Vincent de Paul Parish

FRANK RICHARD PARHAM

C.S.M.C., '53-'56.

Christ the King Parish

CHARLES LESTER PASSONS

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Class Medal: Business Mathematics, '54; Intramurals, '53-'56.

St. Patrick's Parish

RICHARD VERNER PERKERSON, JR.

C.S.M.C., '54-'56; Intramurals, '54-'56; MOINA Staff, '54.

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GENE PAUL RAY

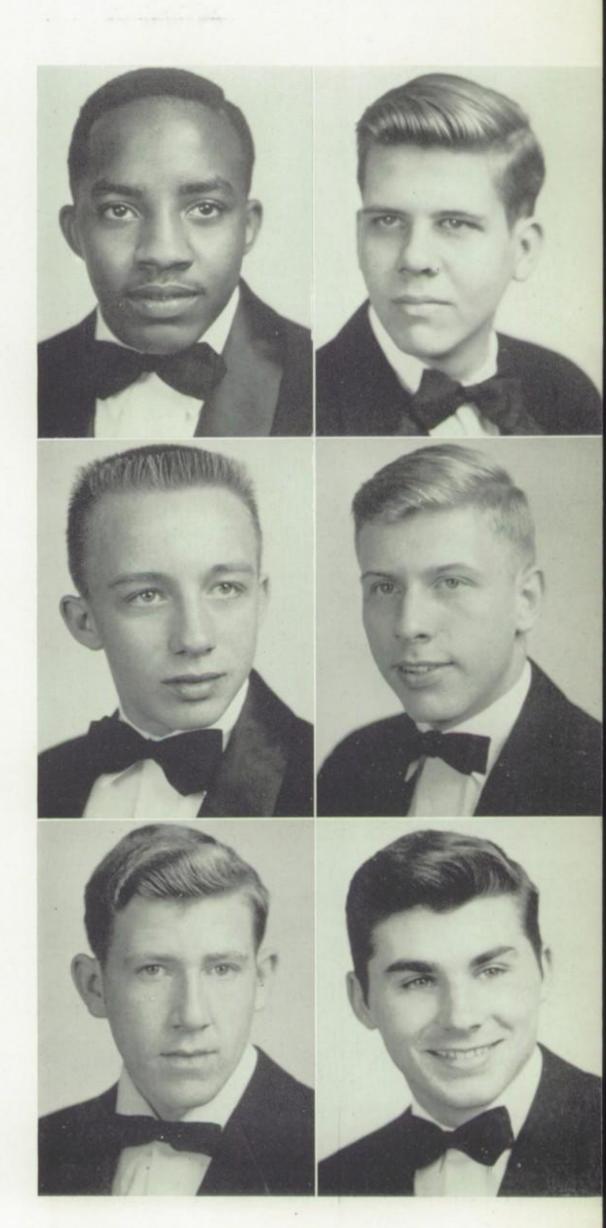
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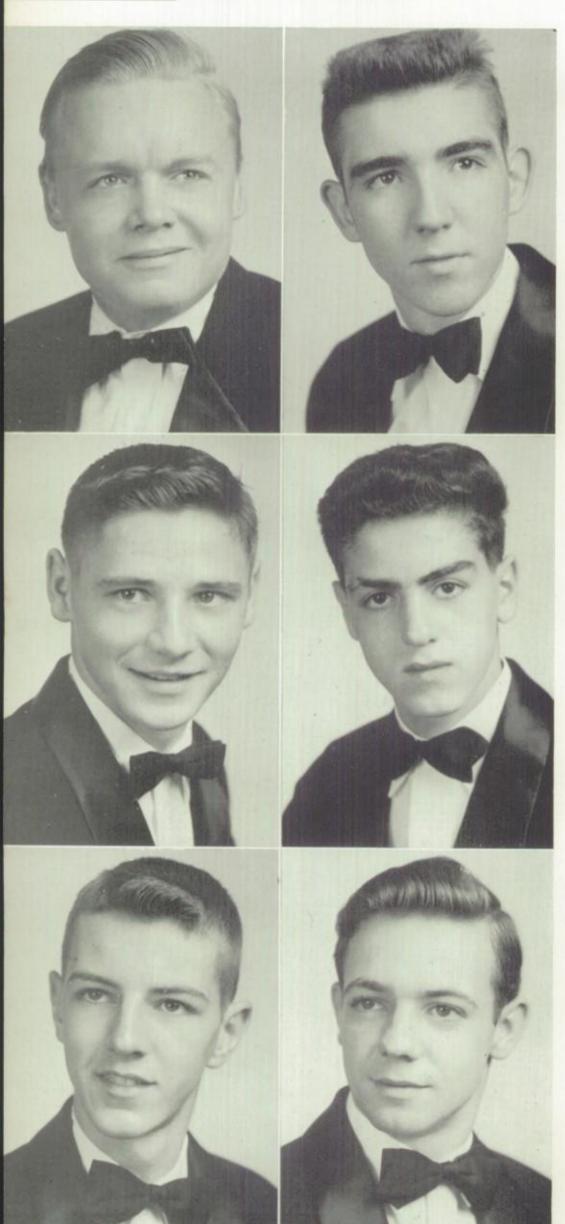
Holy Name Parish

LOUIS JOHN RESHA, JR.

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football: "B", '52; Varsity, '53-'55.

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HERMAN LESTER ROGERS

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Class Medal: Practical Mathematics, '53; Intramurals, '53-'56.

St. Ann's Parish

ROBERT LEWIS SCHENK

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B" '54; Basketball, Varsity, '56; Baseball, '56.

St. Joseph's Parish

WILLIAM CHARLES SCHRICHTE

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Golf, '54-'56. St. Ann's Parish

PATRICK JOHN SHARBEL

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56. Holy Name Parish

CHARLES HENRY SMART, JR.

Key Club, '55-'56; Debate Team, '54-'55; C.S.M.C., '53-'56, Vice President, '55, President, '56; MOINA, '56, Sports Editor, '56; STOA, Honor Society, '53-'54; PANTHER, Sports Editor, '56; Class Medal, Religion, '54; Intramurals, '53-'56; Baseball, '56; Tennis, '54-'56; SALUTATORIAN.

Holy Name Parish

JAMES WARNER SNYDER

Transfer student from St. Mary's Academy, Paducah, Kentucky.

Holy Name Parish

JOHN HUGHES STRASSER

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B", '52; Varsity, '54-'55.

Holy Rosary Parish

ARTHUR JOSEPH SUTHERLAND, III

Student Council, '55; Delegate to Convention, '55; Key Club, '55-'56; Debate Team, '55; News of the Day, '56; THE MOINA, '56, Co-Editor; STOA Honor Society, '55; THE PANTHER, Distribution, '56; Class Medal, English, I55; Intramurals, '53; Football, "B", '53; Basketball, "B", '54, Varsity, '55-'56; Track, '55.

Cathedral of the Incarnation Parish

JOHN CLENDENING TERRY

C.S.M.C., '53-'56; THE PANTHER, '56, Advertising Staff; Class Medal, World History, '55; Intramurals, '53-'56; Football, "B", '52-'53, Varsity, '54-'55.

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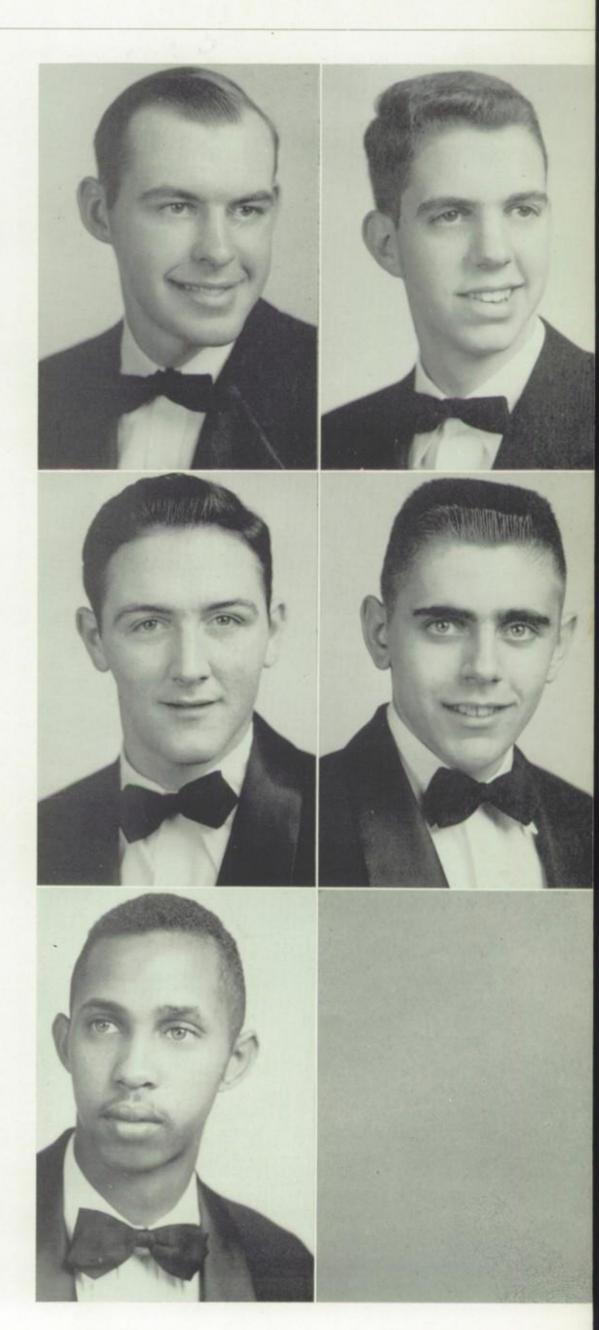
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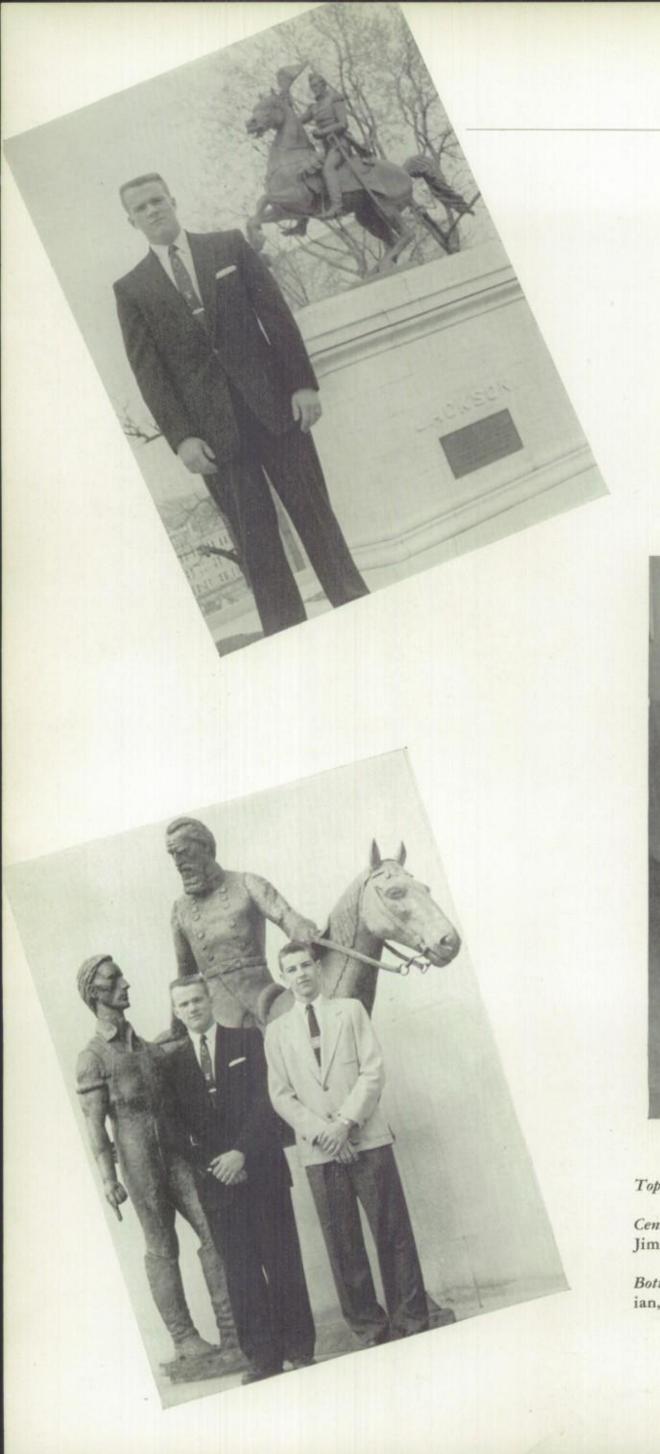
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Holy Name Parish

WILLIAM JOSEPH WILLIAMS

C.S.M.C., '55-'56; Intramurals, '55-'56. Cathedral of the Incarnation Parish Transfer in '55 from Immaculate Mother Academy.







Top, left, John Hanley, Most Likely to Succeed.

Center, l. to r., Nicky Lynch, Most Athletic, and Jimmy Burns, Best School Spirit.

Bottom, left, l. to r., John Hanley, Valedictorian, and Charlie Smart, Salutatorian.

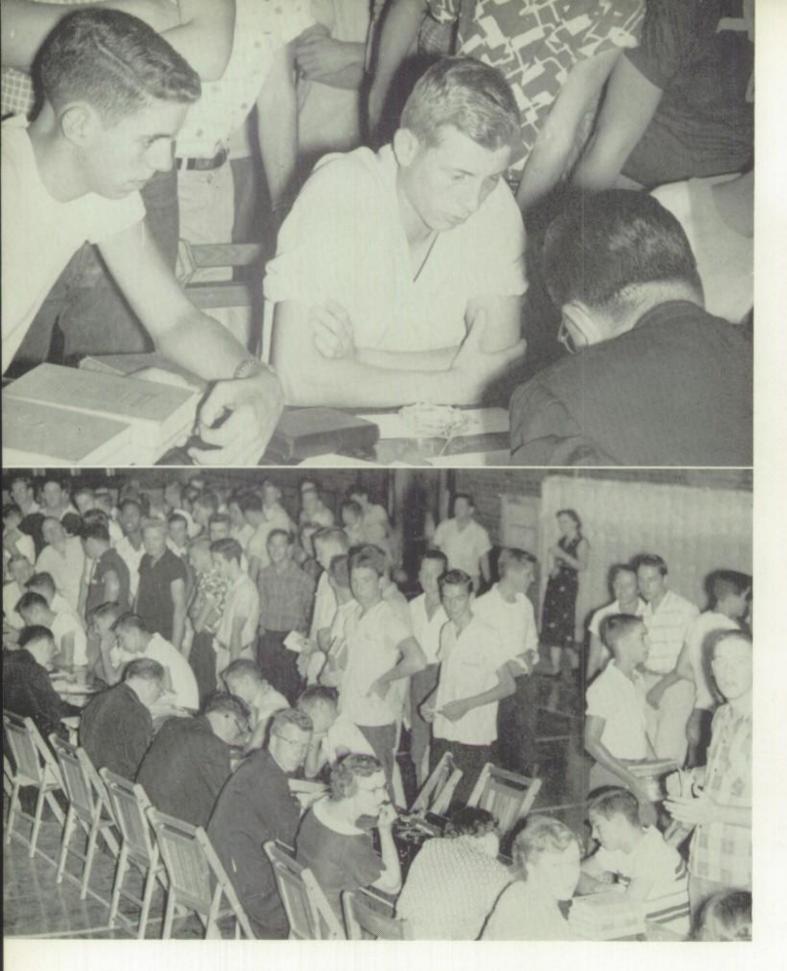
SUPERLATIVES



Center, l. to r., George Byrne, Wittiest, and Frankie Varallo, Most Studious.

Top, right, 1. to r., Joe Jarvis, Best Dressed, and Eddie Buchanan, Most Handsome.

Bottom, left, l. to r., Joe Bates, Most Popular, and Bob Sullivan, Best All Around.



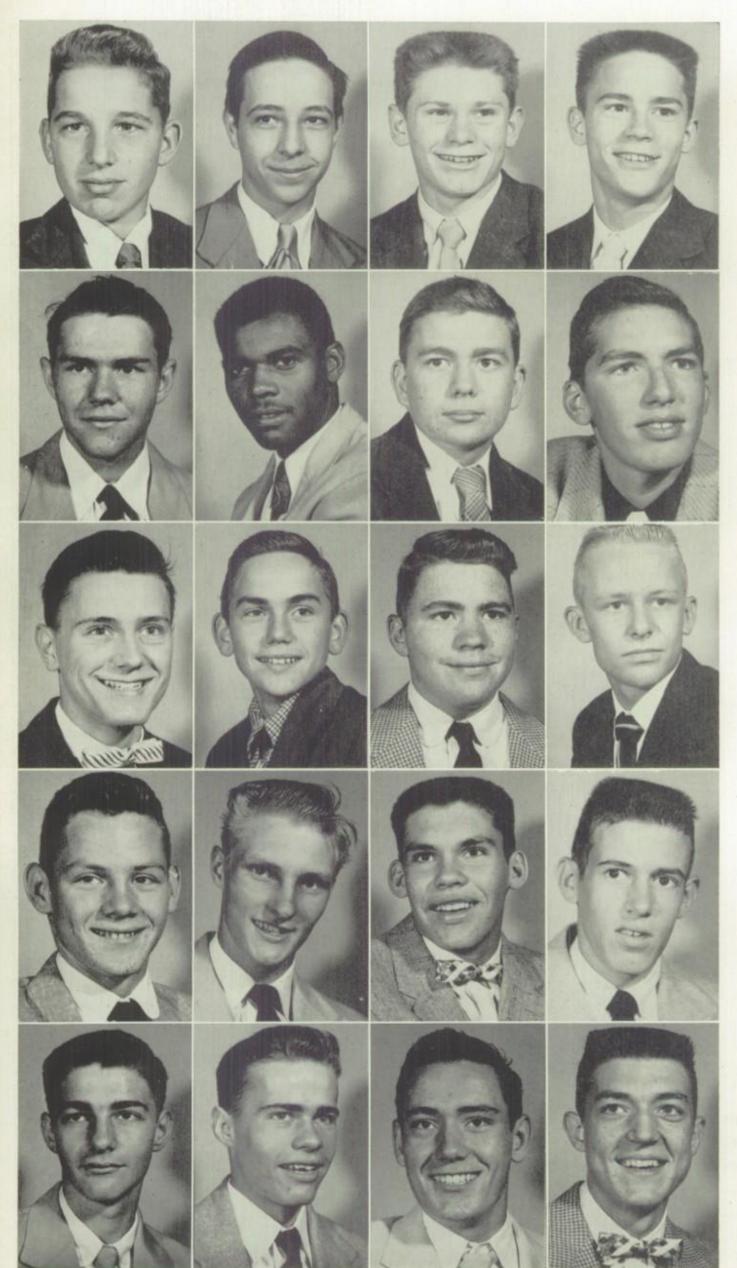
Above, top. REGISTRATION DAY brings up the question: Shall I take it or not. Father Niedergeses, back to camera, speaks in glowing terms of physics, Spanish II, or what have you to skeptical A. J. Sutherland (left) and Richard Perkerson (right).

Above, bottom. The long, long line winds slowly around the gym in September's 100 plus weather as volunteers from the Women's Auxiliary get vital statistics and the faculty gives out class schedules on Registration Day. Camera shy priest is Father Zralek.



Juniors live in a serious half-way house between seniors and sophmores. This year's class made quite a name for itself not only scholastically by having a goodly representation on the school's honor society, the STOA, but also in athletics, clubs, and the other things that make up school life. And after all that they still seemed to have energy to burn and put on a really super prom to top off the year.

JUNIORS



FRANK ADAMS

NORMAN BAGGOTT

JOE BATSON

EDWARD BOLES

JAMES BYRNE
HERMAN COLLIER
RICHARD CONNOR
EDGAR DOOLEY

JERRY HAGLAGE
JERRY HAHN
CHARLES HORTON

JERRY ITIN
SHELTON JOHNSON
EDDIE KING

DAVID KUHLMAN
WILLIAM KUHLMAN
EDDIE LAMBERT
ALAN LANCASTER

ADRIAN LEWIS TUPPER LEWIS ROBERT MCCOOL MICHAEL NICHOLSON

LARRY NORMAN WILLIAM NOURSE CHARLES REESE DON ROWAN

TOM SIEGENTHALER ROBERT STERNA CHARLES THOMASON RICHARD TOWNES

DANIEL WEBER



CAMERA SHY JUNIORS

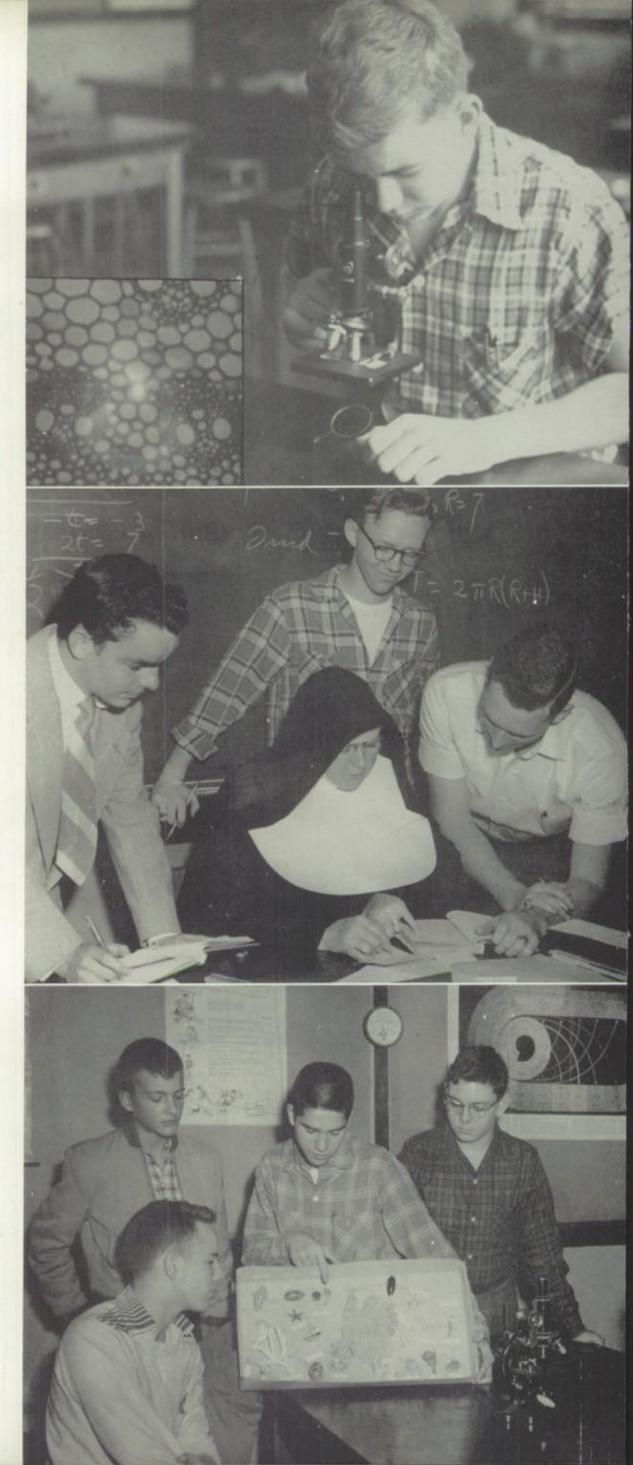
JAMES CORLEW FRANK DRAKE ROBERT FRENSLEY WILLIAM GADDIS CLARENCE GUNTER

KENNETH MALLORY GONZALO MONTOYA GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM ROGERS

GEORGE SEIBERT RAYMOND SINGER ANTHONY SPELTA ROBERT STRANE Juniors whose pictures were late appear on page 69. Dick Connor delves into the world of osmosis while working in the biology lab. Inset: What he saw!

Mathematics class huddle. *l. to r.*, Jimmy Burns, Leonidas Bell, Sister Mary John, and Johnny Ayers.

Hardly a mariner's platter but marine anyway! Luke Lea proudly displays his lab project to fellow biologists *l. to r.*, Ray Heins, David Hardin, and Owen Campion.

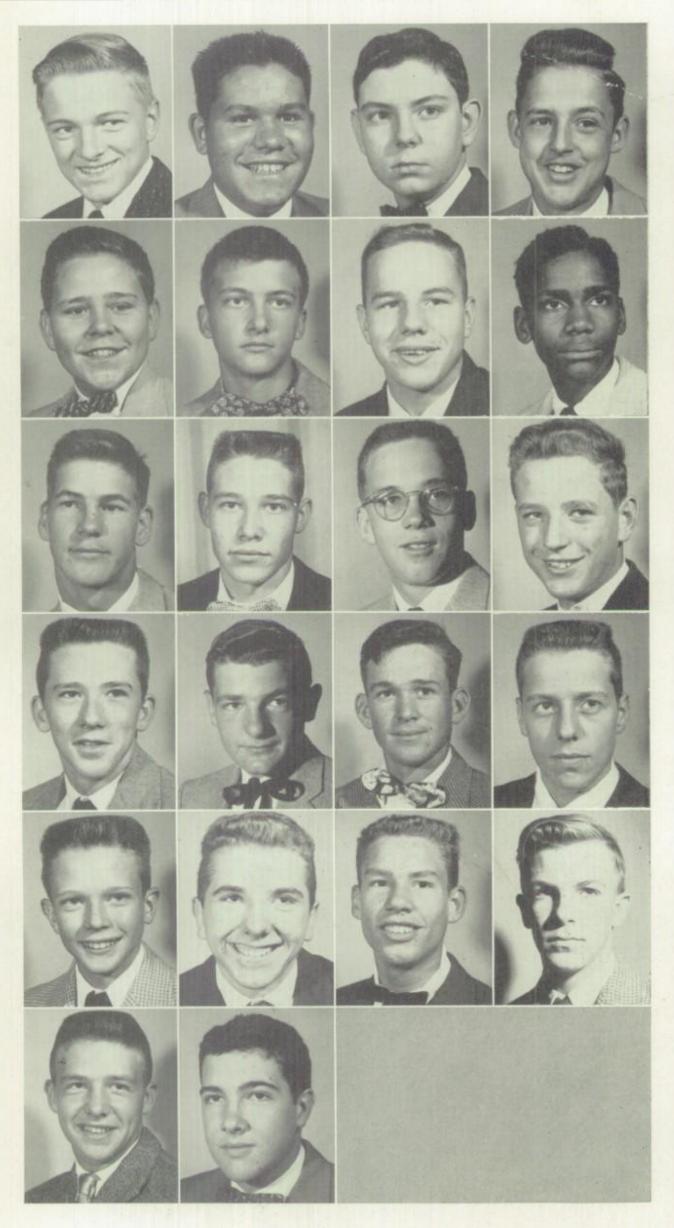


SOPHOMORES



Gentlemen! We give you the sophomores! A class some eighty-four strong which made its presence felt on campus in a variety of ways. We noted with pleasure that some of them made the ranks of the STOA. During the year we were intrigued with their well-done and clever projects in Father Julius' biology and Father Bevington's religion classes. Although not very many of them made Varsity teams, many of them did make a fine showing on our "B" teams and in intramurals.

SOPHOMORES



WILLIAM BROWN
OWEN CAMPION
NELSON CARNEY

JOHN CONNOLLY

DAVID HARDIN

RAYMOND HEINS

KING HOLLANDS

MICHAEL HOLMES
LAWRENCE HUNLEY
JOHN KOHL
PATRICK LANGDON

KENDALL LYNCH
THOMAS MOORE
JAMES OSBORNE
WILLIAM OTTO

THOMAS PICKLER
WILLIAM TREBING
WILLIAM UNLAND
JAMES WEBER

PATRICK WHITE FRANK WILK

CAMERA SHY SOPHOMORES

LESLIE BEASLEY

MICHAEL BURNS

ROBERT BUTTERWORTH

EUGENE COLLINS

MICHAEL COODE

LLOYD COURSEY

LEROY DRAKE

ROBERT FITZGERALD

ROBERT FREEMAN

WILLIAM FREEMAN

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HAROLD LAWSON

JAMES MCCORMACK

JAMES MCHUGH

WILLIAM MABRY

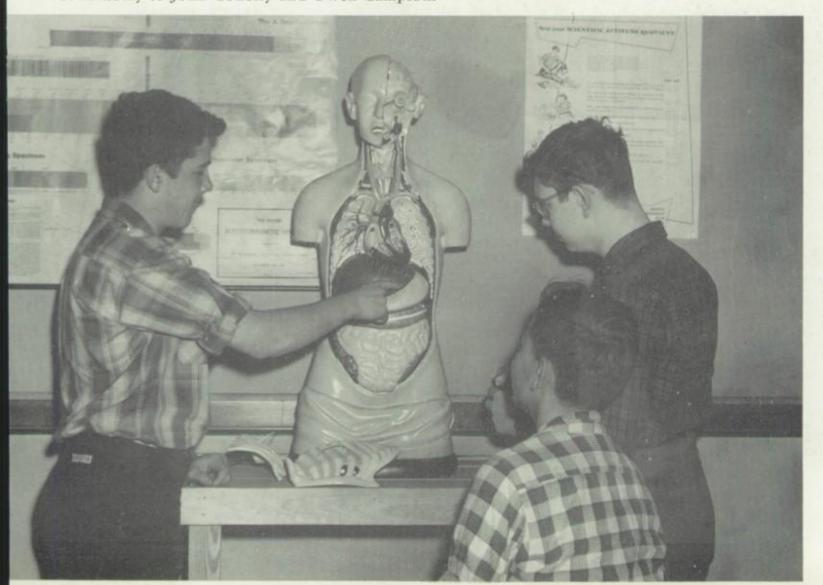
LAWRENCE MALLORY

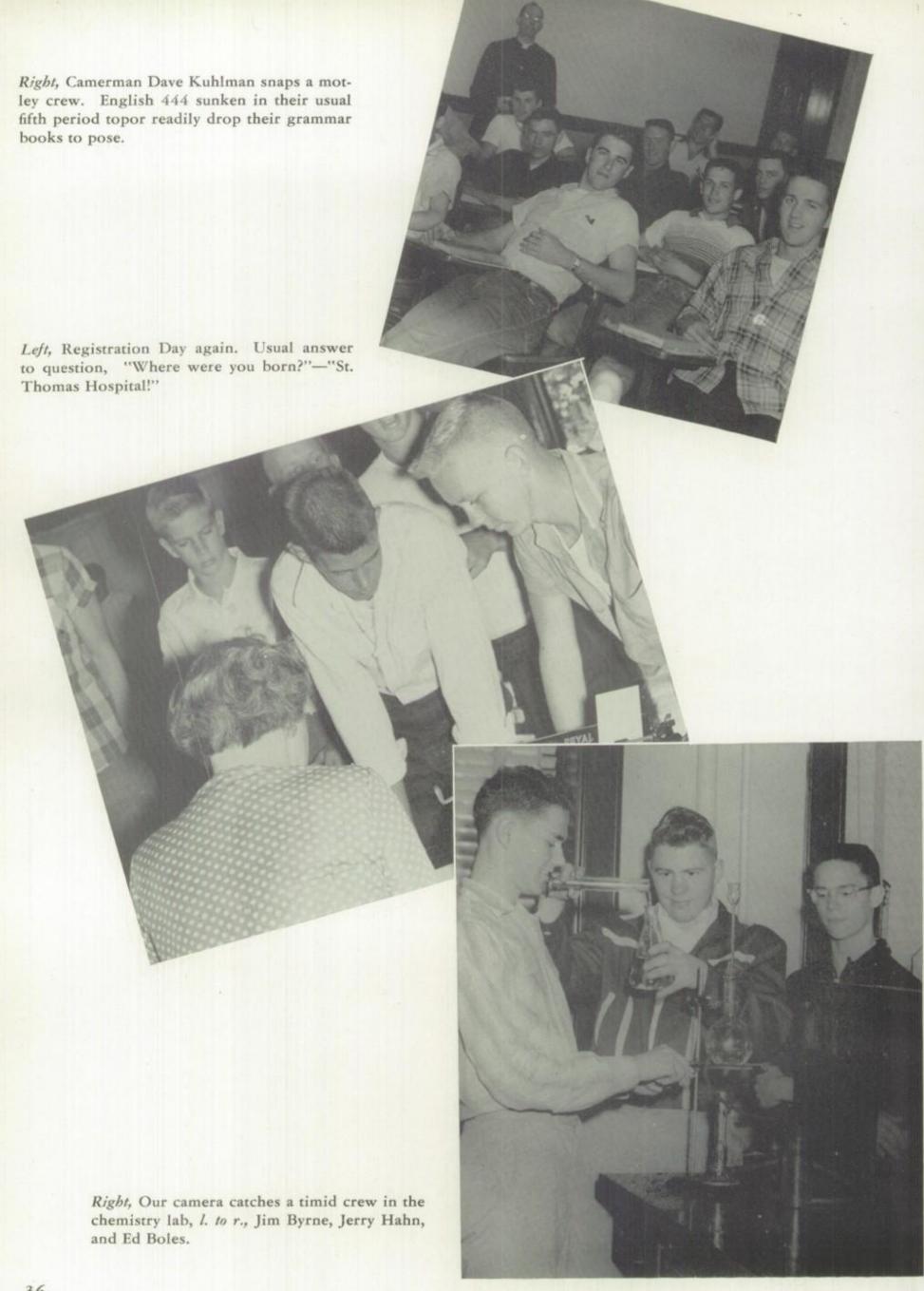
Sophomores whose pictures were late appear on page 69.

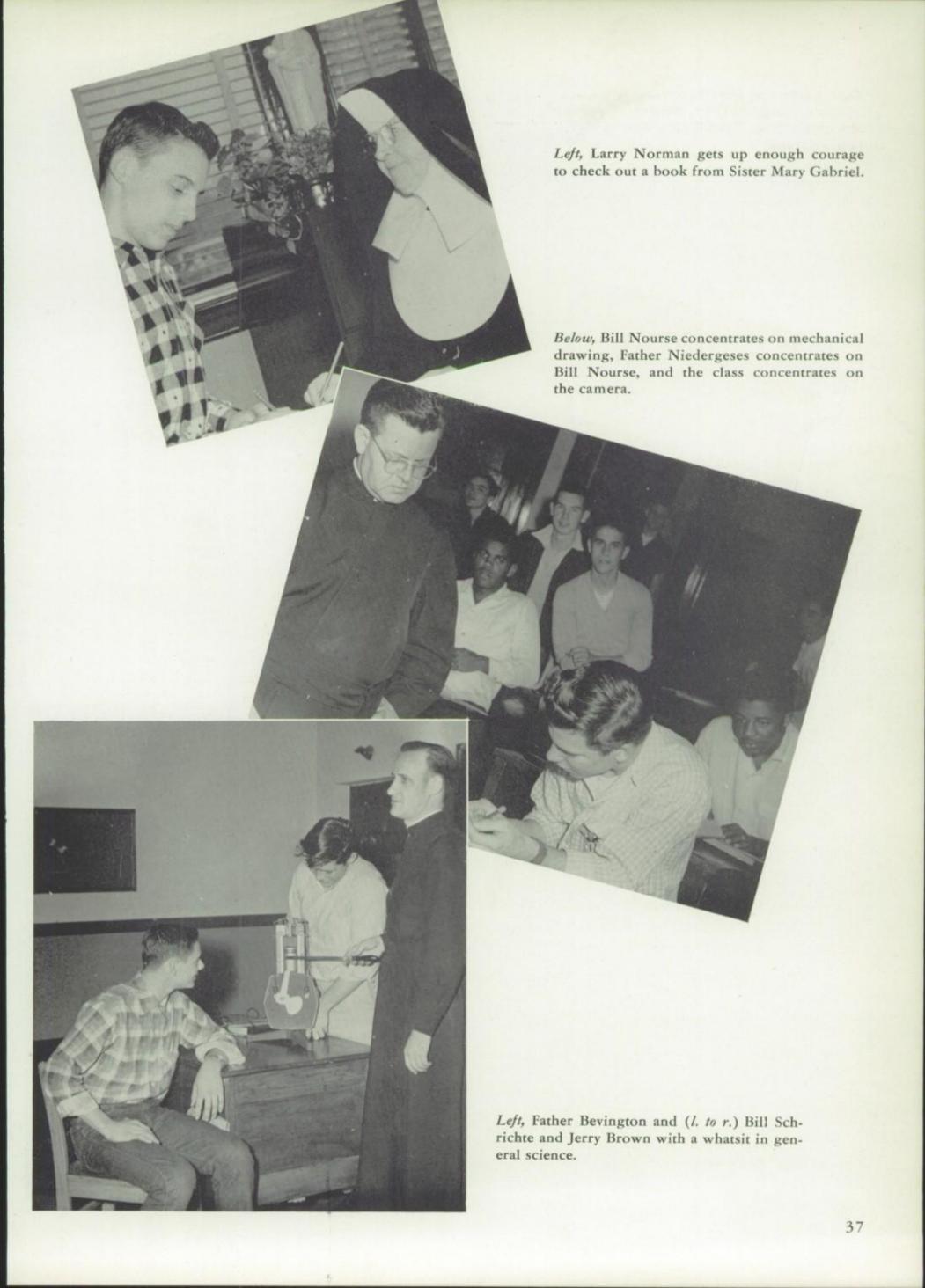
DAVID MATTOX
WILMAN RHODES
ELLIS SAAD
JOSEPH SCHEFFER
JAMES SPRAY
THOMAS STEVENS
LARRY STEWART
DAVID TATE

MELVIN WEIDNER

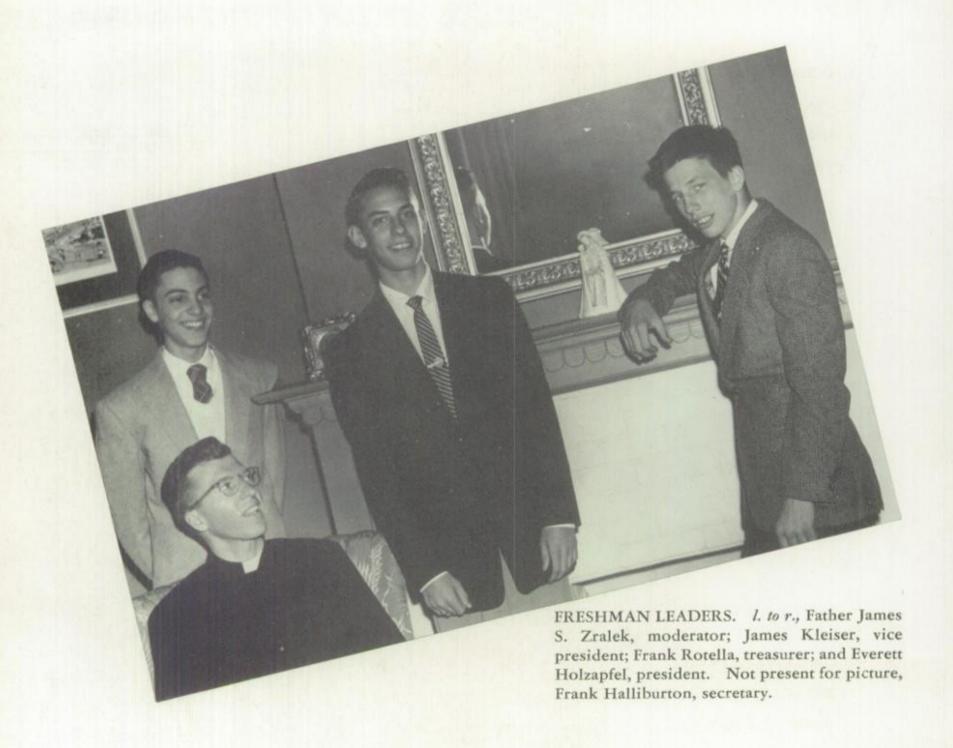
The man in the biology lab intrigues the sophs. *l. to r.*, Frank Wilk demonstrates his knowledge of anatomy to John Conolly and Owen Campion.







FRESHMEN



Although the freshmen represented the largest class, we say with a note of approval that they were perhaps the quietest—which is appropriate considering their lowly position in campus society. A glance through the pages of this PANTHER shows that very few of them were busy about many things beyond the mysteries of Latin I and algebra. However, the fine spirit which they have shown during the year, especially during Frosh week, indicates that they will be a good sophomore class next year.

MICHAEL ADAMS
MICHAEL ATHERTON
THOMAS BOLES
STANLEY BURNS

THOMAS CECIL

JAMES CRAWFORD

GEORGE DEGRELLA

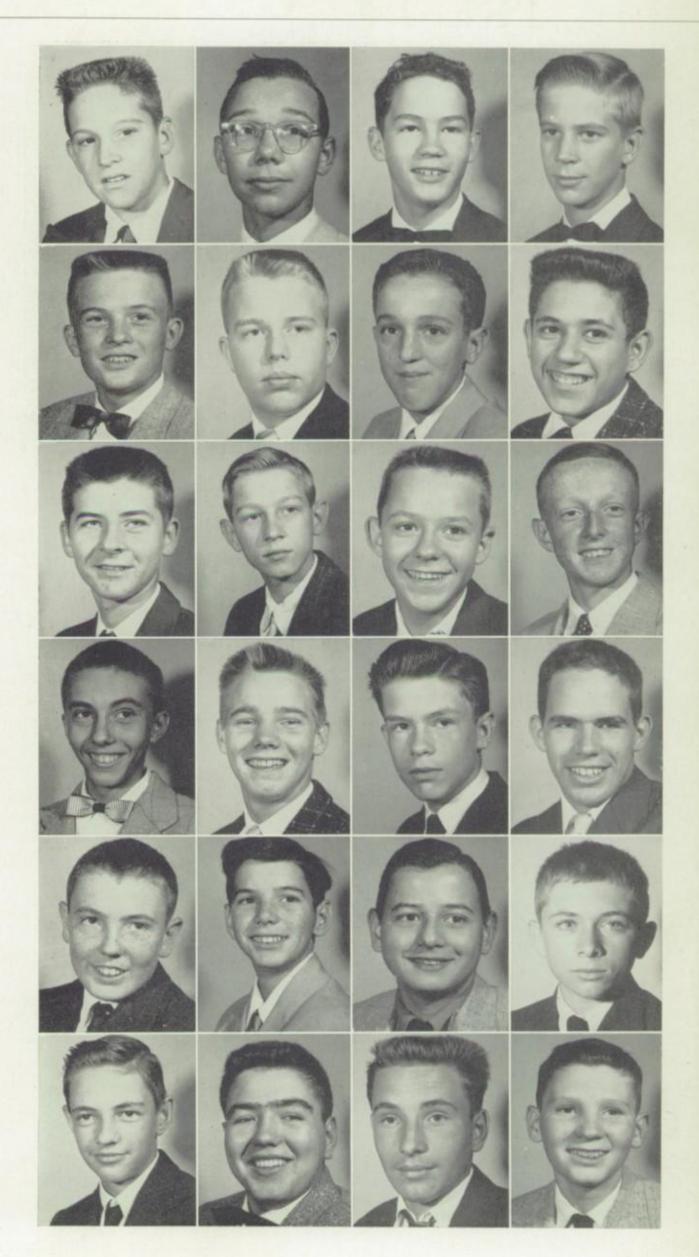
MICHAEL DUBOIS

JOSEPH FLYNN
ROBERT FUSON
HERSHEL GREGORY
WILLIAM HARTNETT

WILLIAM KIRKPATRICK
HORACE KNOCH
ROBERT LANE
RICHARD LISLE

ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN
WILLIAM MONOHAN
JOSEPH MUSCHLER
WILSON MYERS

BERTRAM NOLL
THOMAS POLLOCK
ROBERT POTTER
JAMES PUGH



FRESHMEN



ROBERT REYNOLDS
RONALD SEIBERT
PATRICK STEVENS
EUGENE SULLIVAN

CHARLES SUTHERLAND
SAMUEL THOMPSON
NICHOLAS VARALLO
ANTENOR WILLEMS

CAMERA SHY FRESHMEN

BERNARD ADGENT
JOHN BARRETT
WALTER CANTRELL
ROBERT CRAIGHEAD
LAWRENCE DIVNEY
CHARLES DUBOIS
ROBERT DUCKLO
PATRICK FAHEY
EDWARD FERRELL
PETER GOUTSCH

OSCAR HOFSTETTER
TIMOTHY HOLMES
WESLEY HOOPER
JERRY HORTON
JOSEPH JONES
THOMAS KANE
ROBERT LAWLESS
RONALD LAWSON
EDWARD LETHERT

ROBERT MCCABE

LAWRENCE MCWHIRTER

GEORGE NETTLES

MICHAEL NOURSE

GEORGE PRICKETT

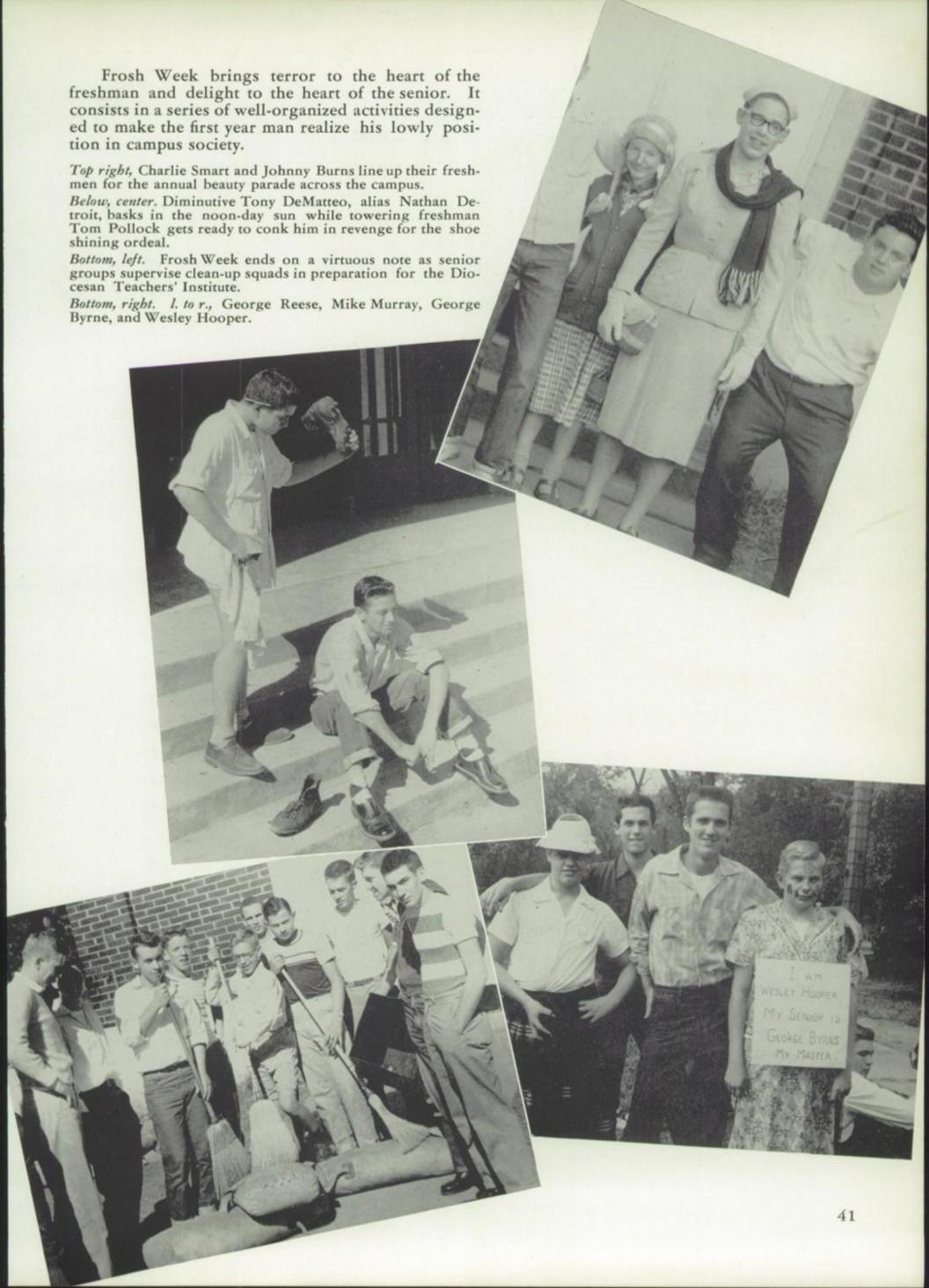
DARRYLE RUCHER

JOHN SULLIVAN

WILLIAM SULLIVAN

ALBERT WEBER

Frosh whose pictures were late appear on page 69.



Classes do not tell the entire story of the life of a school year. Whereas they do instill religion, culture, and knowledge into our sometimes unwilling brains, they still do not present the complete and total picture of school life. This other side is presented in this section of our yearbook. These activities form a vital part of Father Ryan High School's offering to its students. Through these activities pictured herein we use the skills learned in our classes but more than that we learn the important lessons of participation, cooperation, friendship, respect for the opinions of others, and, the principles of being good leaders and good followers. That is why we feel that any student who has not participated in at least one activity

has missed an important part of his education

this year.

ACTIVITIES



JOURNALISM

The Journalism Club, one of the oldest organizations on the campus, is made up of the staffs of the school paper, THE MOINA; the magazine, THE LITERARY QUARTER-LY; and the yearbook, THE PANTHER.

The three above-named publications offer the student interested in the field of writing numerous opportunities to express himself through the medium of the school paper, the magazine, and the annual.

THE PANTHER STAFF, *l. to r.*, John Hanley, editor-in-chief; Joe Jarvis, Vic Coode, and Charlie Smart, associate editors. 2nd row, Johnny Ayers and Andy Harmon, business managers; Mike DuMont, associate sports editor; and Andy Archie, distribution. 3rd row, A. J. Sutherland, distribution.



THE MOINA is the oldest of the three publications. It made its appearance early in the history of Father Ryan. It takes its name from the pen-name of Father A. J. Ryan, poet-priest of the Confederacy, after whom the school was named. THE PANTHER takes its name from our school symbol, the panther. It, too, made its appearance early in the history of our school. THE LITERARY QUARTERLY is a comparative late arrival. It was begun to encourage student attempts at writing poetry, essays, short stories, and critical reviews of things in general.

THE MOINA STAFF, l. to r., 1st row, Thomas Seigenthaler, feature editor; Ray Heins, art; Owen Campion, co-editor; and A. J. Sutherland, co-editor.

2nd row, Father James R. Hitchcock, moderator; Paul St. Charles, reporter; John Hanley, art editor; Andy Archie, art; and Mike DuMont, sports.

3rd row, David Hardin, sports; Nelson Carney, reporter; Charles Pickler, reporter; Charlie Smart, sports editor; and Joe Jarvis, technical staff.



KEY CLUB STOA

The Key Club, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Nashville, is a select group of juniors and seniors organized to encourage good citizenship, leadership and service to the school and the community at large.

STOA is the Father Ryan Honor Society. Its members maintain an average of 90 or above in their classwork and participate in some extra-curricular activity. They are entitled to special privileges.



Key Club officers are l. to r., 1st row, Joe Jarvis, president; 2nd row, John Hanley, vice president; Gene Kleiser, treasurer; and Dan Riordan, secretary. Not present for pitcure, Father A. J. Cunningham, moderator.



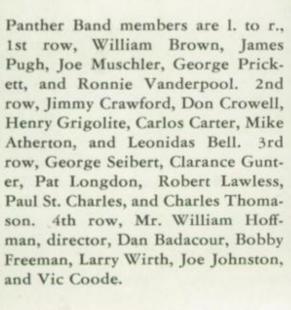
STOA members are l. to r., 1st row, Horace Estes, Paul Dickman, Bill Kuhlman, David Kuhlman, and John Hanley. 2nd row, Norman Baggott, Dan Weber, Mike Nicholson, Nelson Carney, Shelton Johnson, Alan Lancaster, and A. J. Sutherland.

C. S. M. C. PANTHER BAND

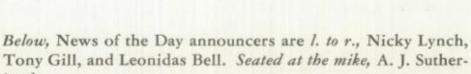
The Catholic Students' Mission Crusade tries to promote the true missionary spirit among the students by encouraging their prayers, sacrifices and alms for the Church's missions both at home and abroad. Although we hear more from them at recess than at any other time, the members of the band are on hand to lend noise, color, and excitement to our football games and pep rallies. Mr. William Hoffman is their director.

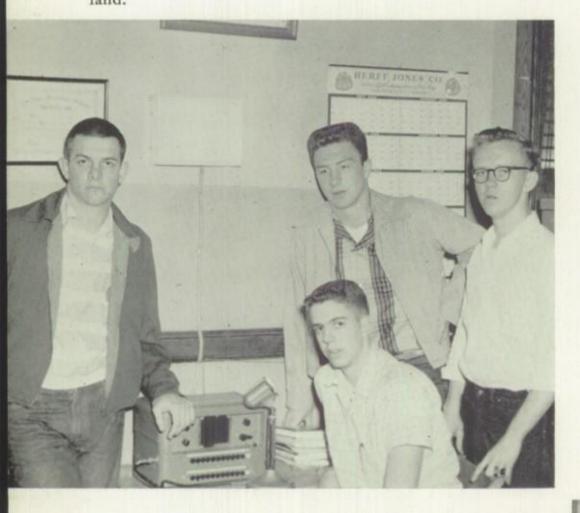


C. S. M. C. officers are l. to r., Mickey Collins, secretary; Mike Nicholson, vice president; Jimmy Crawford, treasurer; and Charlie Smart, president.









land.



Above, Father John K. Mueller of Green Bay, Wisconsin, our retreat master this year.

The three o'clock bell marked the end of classes, and, ordinarily the desertion of classrooms and the library, but it did not signal a wholesale desertion of the building. Day after day various parts of the building hummed with

Right, Horace Estes demonstrates his finished Religion II class project, a "stained-glass" window depicting the events of the Passion, to classmate Luke Lea.





Above, Our two "Old Faithfuls." I. to r., PANTHER photographers, David Kuhlman and Phil Breen drop the camera at a game to pose instead of click the shutter for a change.

activities to please even the most jaded taste. Journalism, Key Club, C.S.M.C., band, the fire patrol, and many more kept a good per centage of us on campus working either for our own enjoyment or the enjoyment of others.

Below, Magazine Drive Winners, 1. to r., 1st row, Johnny Ayers, 4th place winner; Sister Mary John, R.S.M., sponsor of the winning team; and Ray Beckman, top salesman and captain of the winning team. 2nd row, A. J. Sutherland, 2nd place winner, and Jimmy Crawford, 3rd place winner.





Left, The Radio Club. A fascinated group gathers around George Prickett. l. to r., Father Joseph W. Julius, moderator, Bertram Noll, Raphael Semmes, Edward Lethert, and George Prickett.

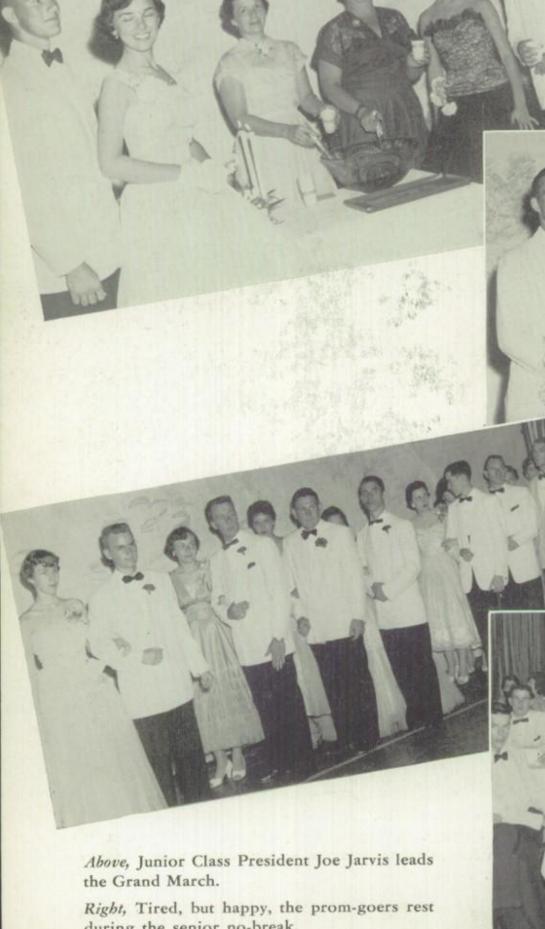
PROM

The Junior Prom was the outstanding social night of the year. Under the guidance of Father Eiseman and the prom committee the gym was transformed into a little bit of Holland to fit the

"Tulip Time in Holland." theme, Tommy Knowles and his orchestra played for the dancing from eight till twelve. The evening ended with a festive breakfast provided by the Woman's Auxiliary.

> Left, Family Night at the Punch Bowl. l. to r., Louie Graham, Kay Carter, Mrs. Martin F. Graham, Mrs. John M. Lynch, Patsy Neeley, and Nicky Lynch.

Below, Our "Patty Panther" catches a group in front of the windmill. I. to r., Louie Graham, Kay Carter, Jack Terry, Joan Hoppe, Bob Sullivan, Sue McLaughlin, Tom Bateman, and Patty Pruitt.



during the senior no-break.

ATHLETICS



There remains one more side of our life that we should like for you to see—Athletics.

We feel that it not only helps form strong bodies,

but that it helps our minds as well,

and on many occasions

it even helps us put into practice the Christian virtues that we have studied in a rather abstract way in religion classes.

Here at Father Ryan High School

we feel that our athletic program has been given the proper

balance in our school year-

not too much and not too little.

We are blessed in having two fine coaches,

Mr. Leo J. Long and Mr. Louis J. Catignani.

Whether a student is playing varsity, "B" team, or intramurals, we see and feel the fine Christian influence of these two men.

It is a wonderful feeling to win an NIL championship or even an intramural soft-ball game,

but win or lose,

it is more important to have that spirit

that has characterized our Irish teams this year.

What Father Ryan Did in Athletics . . .

	WON	LOST	TIED
FOOTBALL	6	3	0
BASKETBALL	26	9	
BASEBALL ('55)	4	6	
TENNIS ('55)	2	7	
GOLF ('55)	4	2	

TEAM CAPTAINS

l. to r., 1st row, Joe Bates, football; Nicky Lynch, co-captain, football; Louie Graham, basketball and golf; and Johnny Ayers, baseball. 2nd row, Charlie Smart, tennis; Richard Hiller and Andy Harmon, track.



FOOTBALL

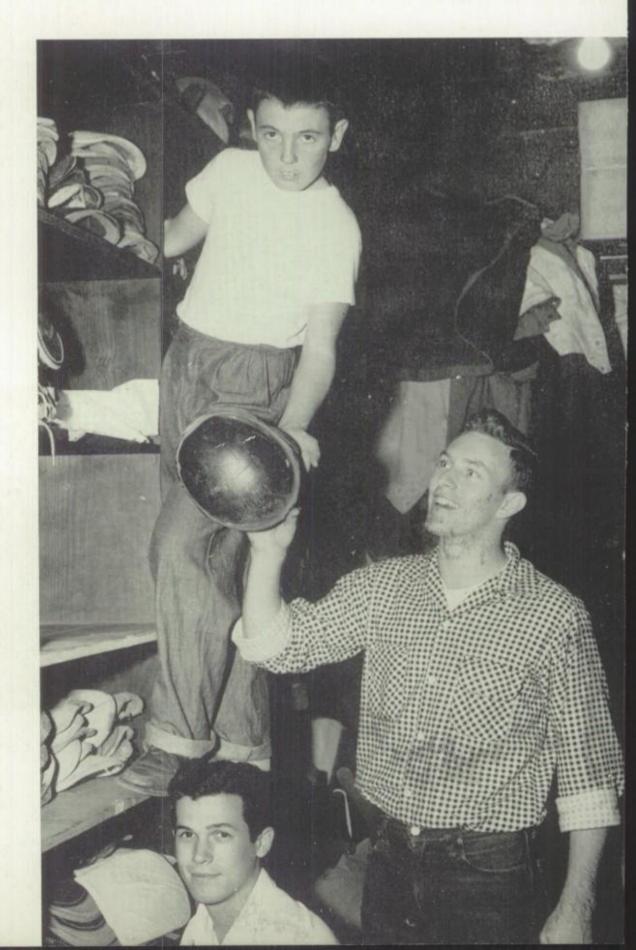
A look at the 1955 football record of Father Ryan makes us all aware of a glow of pleasure, especially when we consider that it was the first year at Father Ryan for Coach Louis J. Catignani and his assistant, Kim Smith. The Fighting Irish played nine games, winning six and losing three hard ones.

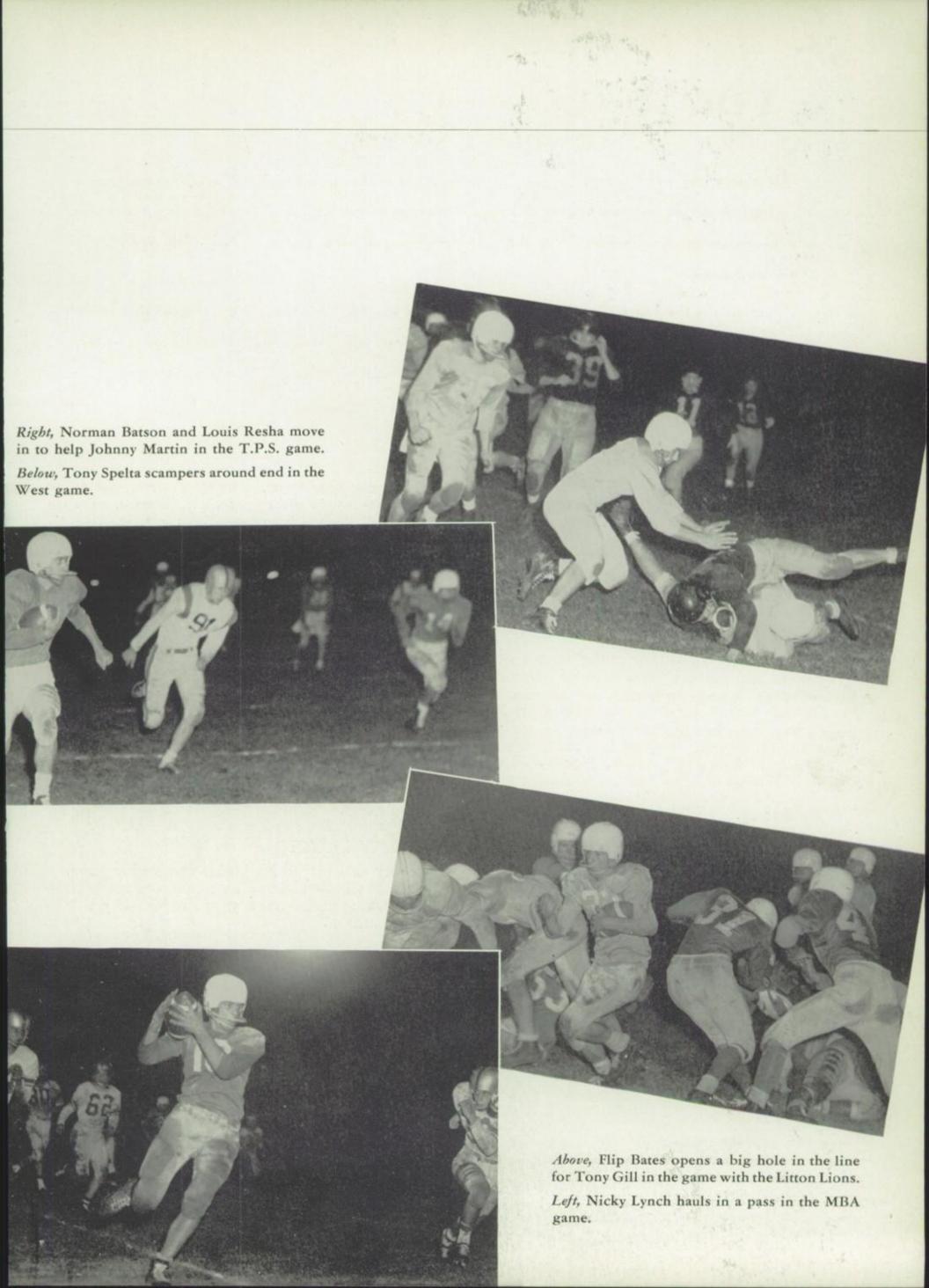
A glance at the score box tells the entire story of the 1955 season. Well, almost the whole story. It doesn't take into account the men and coaches who made those six victories possible. We can truly say this year that we were immensely proud of our new coaches and their team!

FOOTBALL RECORD

Father Ryan	33	Central	0
Father Ryan	6	Springfield	19
Father Ryan	20	Cohn	7
Father Ryan	7	M. B. A.	22
Father Ryan	32	DuPont	6
Father Ryan	20	T. P. S.	7
Father Ryan	25	East	7
Father Ryan	34	West	0
Father Ryan	12	Litton	19
Father Ryan	189	Opponents	87
Record: Wo	on 6	Lost 3 Tie	d 0

Top to bottom, Roger McLaughlin, Johnny Ayers, and Mike Murray, team managers in the equipment room.







The Purple Panthers, *l. to r., 1st row*, Roger McLaughlin, manager; Tony Spelta, Frank Halliburton, Shelton Johnson, Jimmy Byrne, Charlie Sutherland, Captain Joe Bates, Co-Captain Nicky Lynch, Ed O'Connor, Mike Holmes, Hosey Holzapfel, and Eddie Lambert. *2nd row*, Jimmy McHugh, Adrian Lewis, John Strasser, Mike O'Connor, Joe Drennan, Mike DuMont, Bill Kuhlman, Richard Lisle, Billy Hudson, Norman Batson, Jack Terry, Jerry Brown, and Manager Johnny Ayers. *3rd row*, Assistant Coach Kim Smith, Manager Mike Murray, Ken Goostree, Louie Resha, Richard Hiller, Bill Strasser, John Hanley, Tom Bateman, Tony Gill, Tom Donnelly, Andy Harmon, Bob Sullivan, Johnny Martin, Ray Heins, Sterling Darks, and Coach Louis J. Catignani.

CAPTAIN JOE BATES

Joe is a four-year letterman, who played center his first two years and tackle his last two. He was the first player in the history of the NIL to win the Most Valuable Player award two years in a row. Among his other awards: All-City, '54-'55; All-State, '55; All-Southern, '55; and All-American, '55. A truly great player he will be sorely missed next year in the line-up.

LOUIS RESHA

Louis played only during his senior year but in that one season he showed a spark and drive that would have helped lots in previous seasons.

NORMAN BATSON

Norm played Varsity his junior and senior years. Every Irish opponent knew when he was in the center of the Panther line.

JOHN STRASSER

John played guard his junior and senior year. A serious boy, he put everything he had into the game.

JERRY BROWN

Jerry also played his junior and senior years. He has been claimed by many to have been the most under-rated guard in the city this past season.

CAPTAIN JOE BATES

LOUIS RESHA

NORMAN BATSON

JOHN STRASSER

JERRY BROWN





RICHARD HILLER

Richard played only during his senior year but he gave his all at the guard spot.

MIKE DUMONT

Mike, alias Teddy-Bear, played only his senior year. He helped plug up the holes in the line.

ANDY HARMON

Andy played tackle for the past two years and it is going to be a hard job for the Coach to find anybody quite like him.

BOB SULLIVAN

Bob played a fine game at end his sophomore and senior years.

JACK TERRY

Jack played tackle his junior and senior years.

JOHN HANLEY

John was a fine lineman for the past two years.

NICKY LYNCH

Nicky played for the past three years as one of Father Ryan's finest ends. This year he was on the All-City Team.

TOM BATEMAN

Tom played for three years as a hard charging back.

RICHARD McCURDY

A highly underrated guard, Richard played for two years on the Varsity.

Top, Right, RICHARD McCURDY

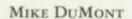
> 2nd Right, Tom Bateman

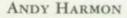
3rd Right, Co-Captain Nicky Lynch

4th Right, JOHN HANLEY

Corner, Jack Terry



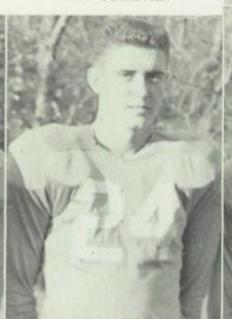




BOB SULLIVAN



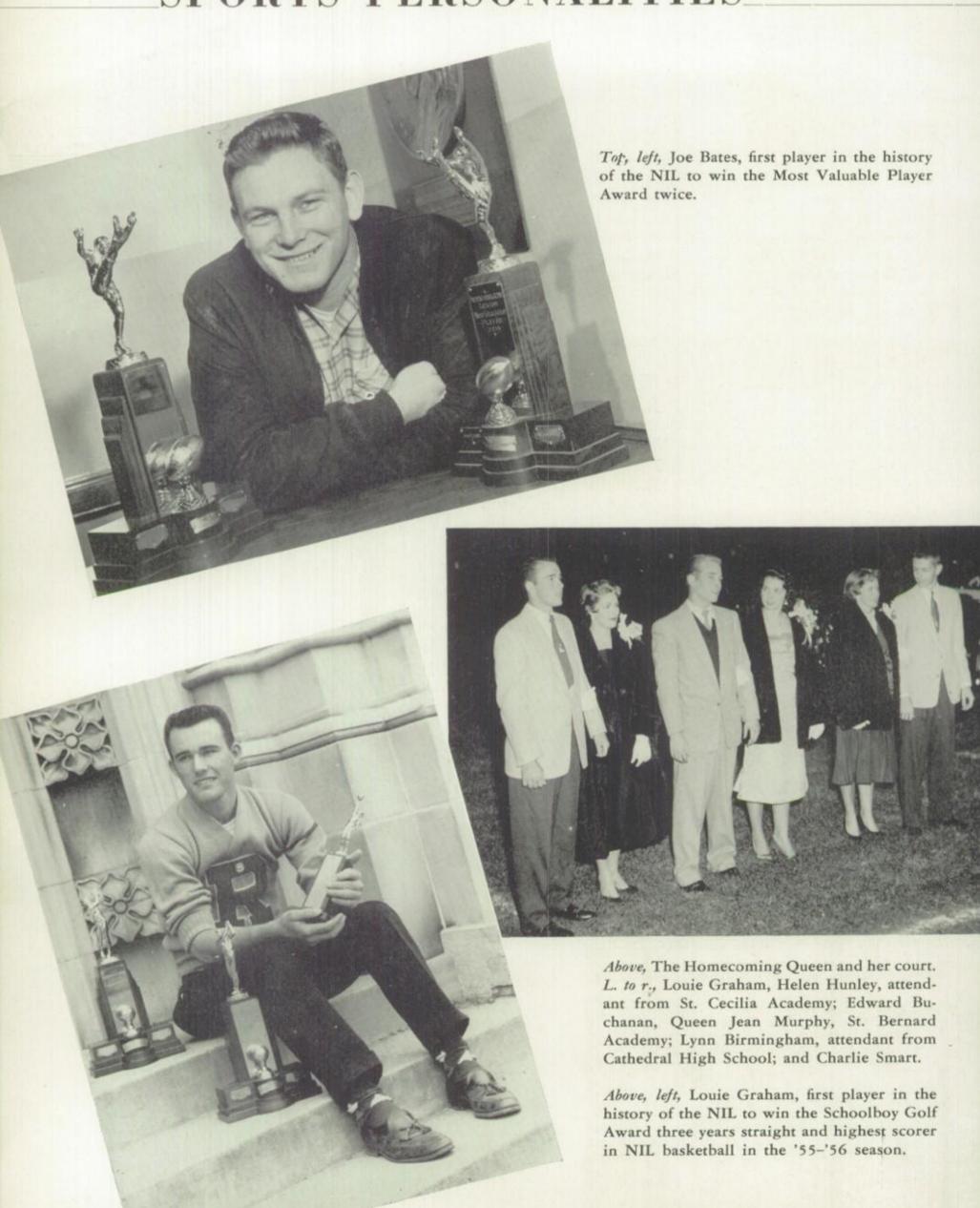








SPORTS PERSONALITIES



Below, Father Ryan Cheerleaders. L. to r., Kay Carter, captain, St. Bernard Academy; Lynn Birmingham, Cathedral High School; Paula Holzapfel, St. Bernard Academy; and Ann Rotella, Cathedral High School. Not present for picture: Helen Hunley and Barbara Adams of St. Cecilia Academy.



Above, Mr. Frank Leahy, former Notre Dame coach, addresses a school assembly program.



Left, Coach Leo J. Long with his recently won "Coach of the Year Award."

BASKETBALL

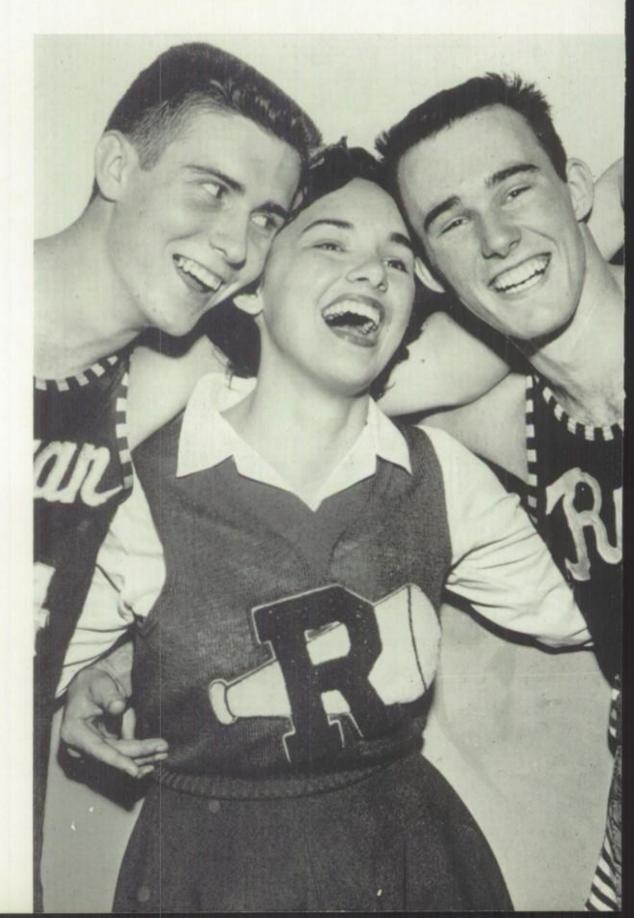
Three events stand out in this year's basketball season—winning the NIL season championship, Captain Louie Graham's breaking two NIL scoring records, and Coach Leo J. Long's heart attack.

For the second time in our history the NIL seasonal championship trophy will rest in our school trophy case. This year's Irish Quintet piled up an enviable seasonal record of 26 wins against only 9 losses. However, despite their great seasonal record the cagers went down in defeat in the semis of the 18th District Tournament.

Individually, Louie Graham led the team as captain and leading scorer. Louie broke two NIL scoring records this year.

The worst blow dealt our cagers was the heart attack suffered by our veteran coach, Leo J. Long, in the closing minutes of

the DuPont game. However, Football Coach Louis J. Catignani took over the reins very capably for the remainder of the season. Coach Long was later awarded the "Coach of the Year" title.



When Irish Eyes Are Smiling: L. to r., Bob Sullivan, Kay Carter, and Louie Graham.

BASKETBALL RECORD

102	NOINE!	DALL RECO	ILL
Father Ry	an 56	Big Sandy	55
Father Ry	an 47	Peabody	41
Father Ry	an 59	Lipscomb	50
Father Ry	an 49	B. G. A.	43
Father Ry	an 53	Howard	51
Father Ry	an 49	T. P. S.	40
Father Ry	an 38	Vandy Frosh	64
Father Ry	an 39	West	41
Father Ry	an 77	Cohn	45
Father Ry	an 70	Peabody	55
Father Ry	an 56	M. B. A.	40
Father Ry	an 40	B. G. A.	46
Father Ry	an 52	Knoxville Catholic	40
Father Ry	an 54	Knoxville Fulton	60
Father Ry	an 57	Humboldt	63
Father Ry	an 64	Savannah	60
Father Ry	an 49	Jackson	54
Father Ry	an 57	Trenton	72
Father Ry	an 67	East	51
Father Ry	an 53	North	30
Father Ry	an 73	Springfield	53
Father Ry	an 66	Hopkinsville	54
Father Ry	an 52	East	49
Father Ry	an 47	West	48
Father Ry	an 51	Howard	46
Father Ry	an 65	Cohn	52
Father Ry	an 39	M. B. A.	46
Father Ry	an 60	Springfield	43
Father Ry	an 69	North	39
Father Ry	an 49	T. P. S.	37
Father Ry	an 73	Lipscomb	53
Father Ry	an 61	DuPont	60
Father Ry	an 63	Alumni	46
	18th D	District Tournament	
Father Ry	an 50	North	32
Father Ry			46
Totals	1,946		1,705
Won	26	Lost	9



NIL Basketball Championship Trophy.



CAPTAIN LOUIE GRAHAM

FRANK VARALLO

ANDY ARCHIE

BOB SULLIVAN

A. J. SUTHERLAND

NICKY LYNCH

CAPTAIN LOUIE GRAHAM

Louie lettered for three years on the varsity. In his junior year he was 18th District Tournament's Most Valuable Player; he was also on the All-Tournament Team in the 18th District as well as the Region V team. This year he led the NIL in scoring and was on the All-City Team.

NICKY LYNCH

Nicky lettered for three years on the hardwood. He, too, made the 18th District Tournament team in his junior year.

BOB SULLIVAN

Bob, like the above two seniors, was a three year varsity man. He was an outstanding forward. This year he was eighth in NIL scoring leaders.

FRANK VARALLO

Frankie was an exceptionally fine guard who played two years of Varsity ball. His speciality was the long, set shot.

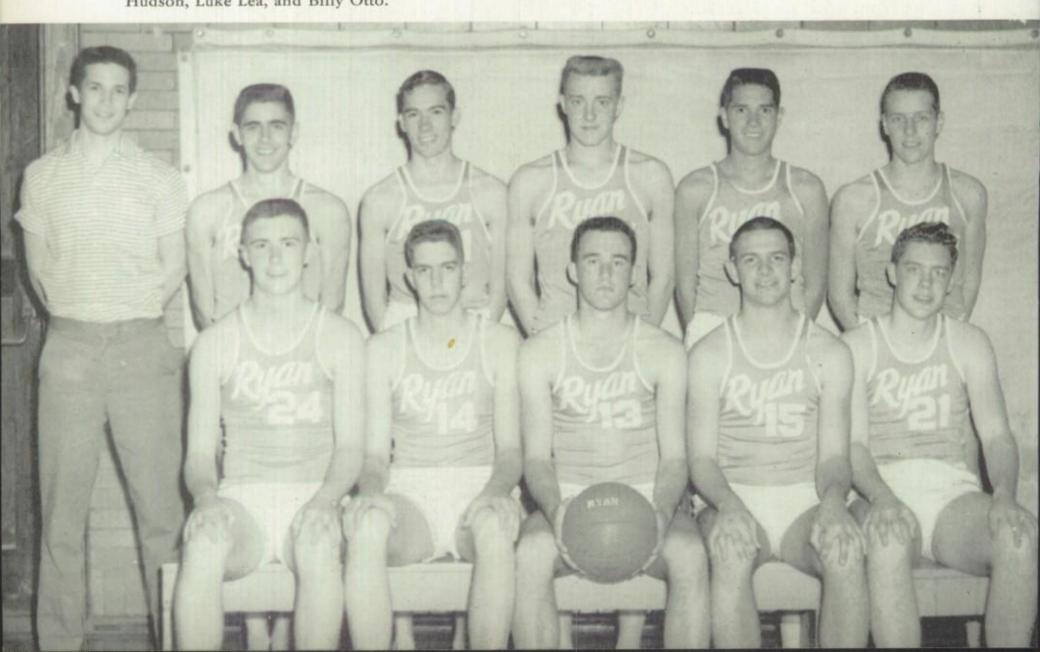
ARTHUR SUTHERLAND

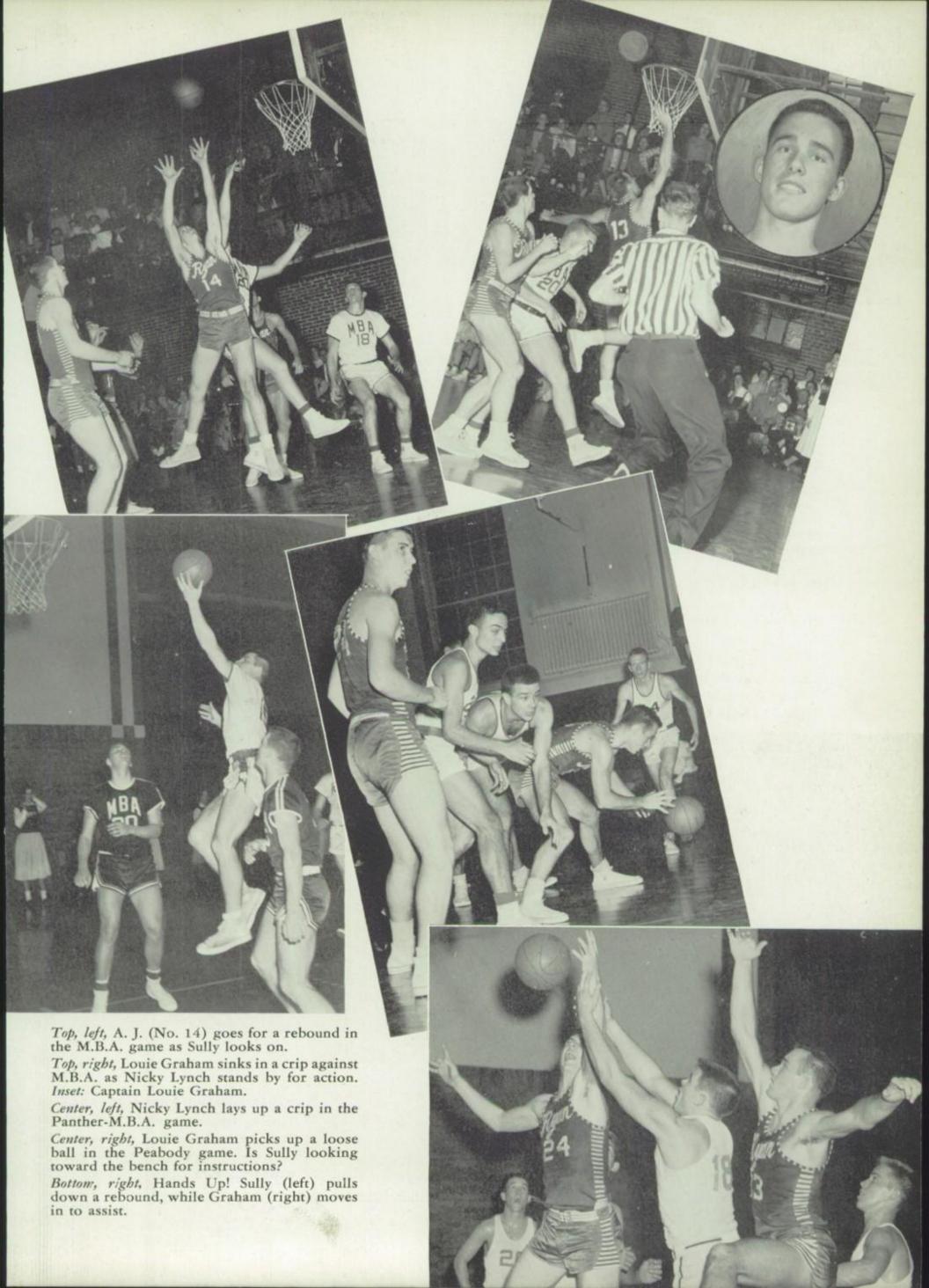
A. J. played with the Varsity for two seasons. Playing center this year, he progressed with every game and proved a much needed asset for the Panthers under the baskets.

ANDY ARCHIE

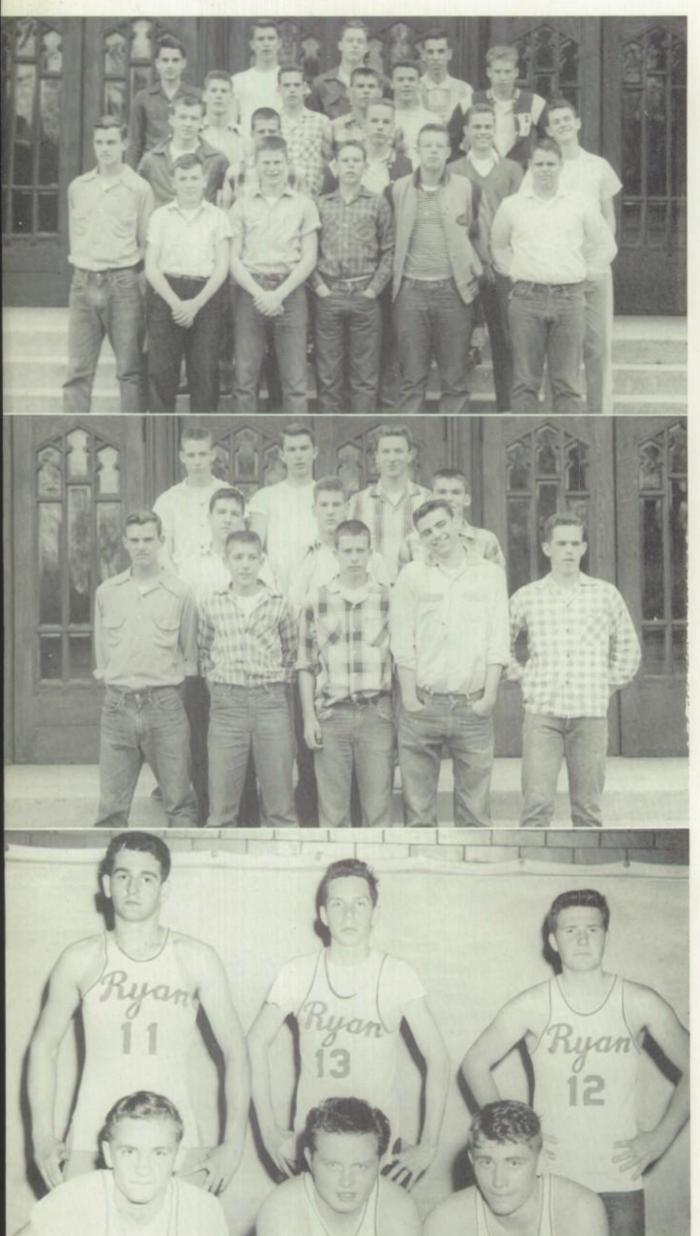
Andy lettered two years in basketball. He served as a very fine reserve guard who did a capable job when called upon.

Below, The Purple and White Cagers. L. to r., seated, Bob Sullivan, A. J. Sutherland, Captain Louie Graham, Nicky Lynch, and Charles Sutherland. Standing, Mike Murray, manager; Frank Varallo, Andy Archie, Billy Hudson, Luke Lea, and Billy Otto.





"B" TEAMS



Left, THE BABY PANTHERS. L. to r., 1st row: Frank Halliburton, Roger McLaughlin, Joe Batson, Ray Singer, Jimmy McHugh, and George Reese. 2nd row: David Ward, Everett Holzapfel, Ray Heins, Bill Kuhlman, and Jim Byrne. 3rd row: Mike Holmes, Richard Lisle, Shelton Johnson, Dick Rosa, and Fletcher Hill. 4th row: Mike O'Connor, Johnny Taylor, Charles Sutherland, and David Mattox.

Left, The "B" Basketball Team. L. to r., 1st row: Frank Halliburton, Buddy DuBois, Everett Holzapfel, Tom Donnelly, and Richard Lisle. 2nd row: Frank Wilk, Mike Holmes, and Shelton Johnson. 3rd row: Lawrence Hunley, Johnny Taylor, and Tony Gill.

Left, Intramural Basketball Champs. L. to r., 1st row: Ray Dickman, Mike DuMont, and Norman Batson. 2nd row: Andy Harmon, George Norman, and Don Rowan.



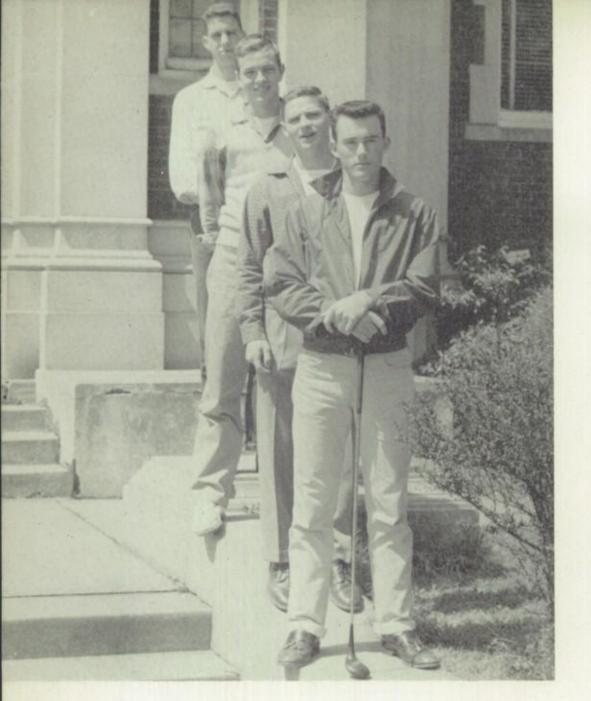
Dynamite! L. to r., Norman Batson and Joe Bates dive for the ball as Richard McCurdy prepares to blow it from their grasp.

Irish Cheerleaders. Front, Lynn Birmingham, Middle, Paula Holzapfel and Kay Carter, Back, Ann Rotella.

Father Shea looks on as Vandy Coach Art Guepe signs and seals Nicky Lynch (left) and Joe Bates (right) for his future Commodore squad. Anxious Moment! Coach Louis Catignani and Assistant Coach Kim Smith during the East game.

Escort Eddie Buchanan and Homecoming Queen Jean Murphy, alias "The Body."

The Panthers' victories on the NIL gridiron were sometimes won on the practice fields!



SPRING

GOLF

Golf Team. Bottom to top, Captain Louie Graham, Bill Schrichte, Dan Riordan, and A. J. Sutherland.

Springtime brings with it that restless feeling and the urge to get outside. And the sports of the last part of the school year—baseball, tennis, golf, and track—do just that. Although they are not considered "major"

BASEBALL

Below, The Panther Baseball Team. L. to r., 1st row, Eddie Buchanan, Tom Donnelly, Joe Jarvis, Captain Johnny Ayers, Bob Schenk, Joe Bates, Jerry Strobel, and Harold Beaty. 2nd row, Bob Sullivan, Nicky Lynch, Johnny Martin, Bill Hudson, Charlie Smart, Lawrence Hunley, Pat White, and Lawrence Mallory.



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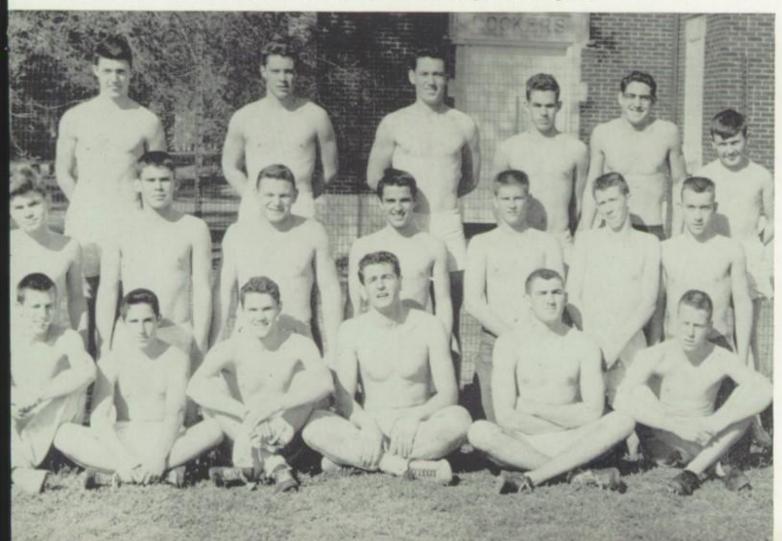
Tennis Team. Bottom to top, Captain Charlie Smart, Leonidas Bell, Frank Varallo, and Tony Gill. Not present for picture, Alan Coleman, Paul Maddux, Sunny Gregory, Jimmy Lisle and Jerry Haglage.

sports we feel that they serve just as much as football and basketball in building up a fine spirit of competition and participation among those who go out for the spring sports teams.



TRACK

Track Team. L. to r., 1st row, Everett Holzapfel, Bob Ducklo, Jim Byrne, Captain Andy Harmon, Captain Richard Hiller, and Billy Otto. 2nd row, Tim Holmes, Shelton Johnson, Joe Bates, Mike O'Connor, John Holden, Ken Lynch, and Roy Johnson. 3rd row, Alan Lancaster, Charlie Sutherland, Eddie Lambert, Richard Lisle, Tony Spelta, and Roger McLaughlin.



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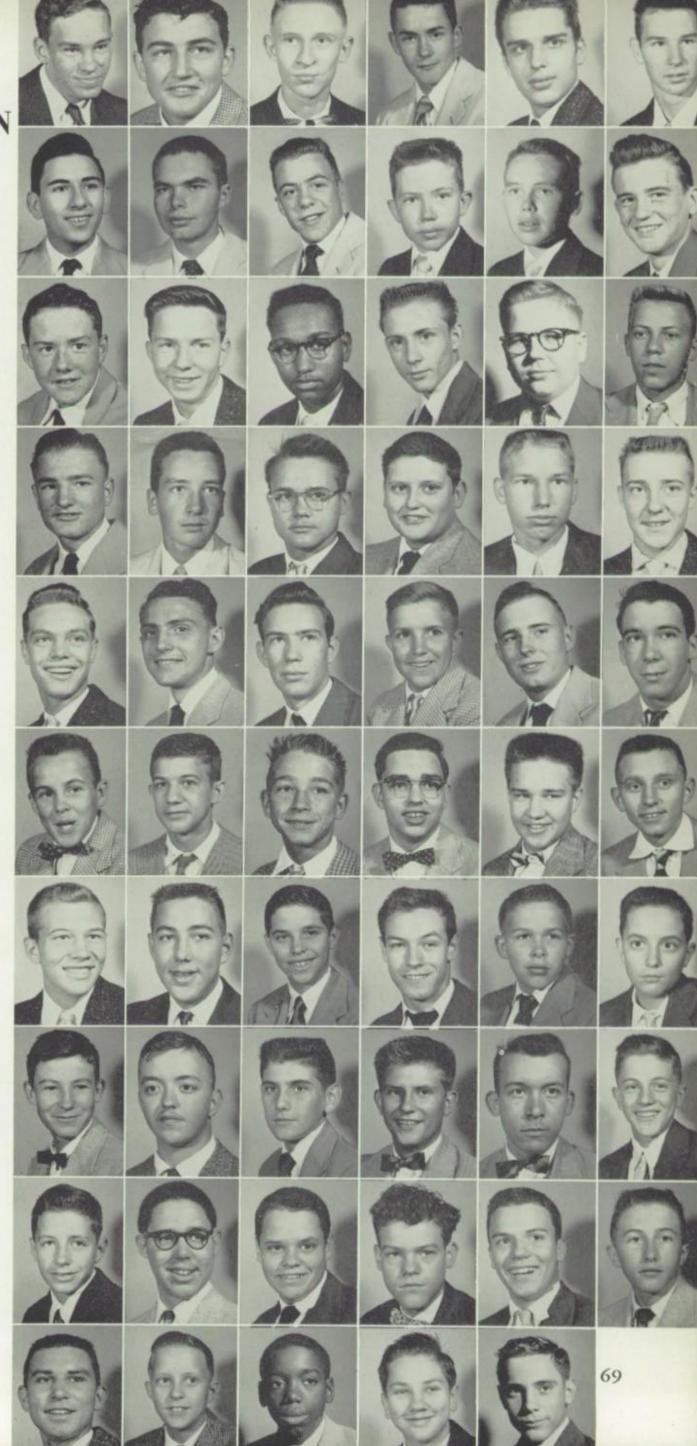
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On this page we bid you DIA IS MUIRE DUIT,
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Or to be more accurate in our translation,
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To those of us on the staff who have worked so hard toward its publication THE 1956 PAN-THER represents a great deal. But even more than the hard work of those long, long afternoons after school we shall always remember the spirit of determination, cooperation, and willingness to work that characterized our staff this year. We would like to take this page to tell you a little something about our staff and the people who helped make this book possible—a look behind the scenes so to speak.

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With the able help of the associate editors and their assistants, Joe Jarvis, Vic Coode, Charlie Smart, and Mike DuMont, the book ceased being a shadow and became a real substance. The format of the entire book, the page plans, and the copy were prepared with their able help. Father James R. Hitchcock, our moderator, was always on hand to lend the help of his experience and aid in keeping the book moving toward its appointed goal—publication.

PHOTOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

To David Kuhlman and his able assistant, Phil Breen, we extend well-deserved praise for their work in taking the pictures, developing, and finally printing them. Life had its ups and downs in our photography department but you can judge for yourself from the pictures in the book the work that they have contributed to this annual.

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Johnny Ayers and Andy Harmon were our business managers. This all important side of our book was aided by the members of the senior class and the student body in general. To them we turned in desperation when it seemed that we would never make our assigned financial goal. To Andy Harmon and Stuart Cooke we extend a special vote of thanks for their hard work and perserevance, without them there would not be a 1956 PANTHER such as you are now reading.

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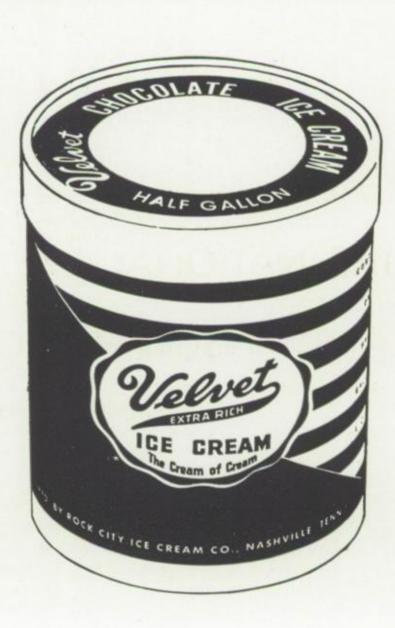
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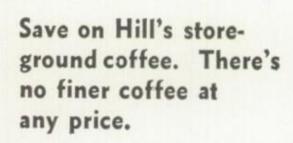
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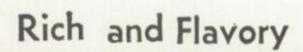
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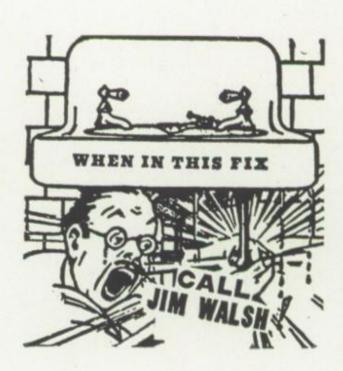
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